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NOT TO JOIN NAVAL AGREEMENT.

Latest Decision of the United States.
DANGERS OF REDUCTION.

London, Yesterday.
A warning against going too far in the direction of reducing the size of capital ships was given by Mr. A. V. Alexander, the First Sea Lord, in the House of Commons, at the report stage of the Navy Estimates, which were finally agreed to. He pointed out that a ship was needed which had a reasonable chance of resisting air and underwater attacks, while he firmly believed that the capital ship in the past had been allowed to become much too large and expensive.

There must be a very careful and technical examination of the problem before they set about reducing it too far.
No Agreement.
Sir Charles Cayzer asked whether the written assurance to be given to France and Italy by Britain in connection with the naval agreement that Britain favours a reduction of capital ship guns to a maximum of twelve inches and a substantial reduction in the maximum displacement of 35,000 tons, would be also given by the United States and Japan.

Mr. Alexander replied that the British assurance did not depend on a similar American and Japanese assurance.

Sir Charles Cayzer asked would this written assurance bind Britain if Japan and America did not agree to the reductions?

Mr. Alexander referred Sir Charles Cayzer to his statement of last week and added that we had already indicated our views on the question of the size of ships, but no agreement had been reached.—*Reuter.*

U.S. Not to Participate.

Washington, Yesterday.
As a result of a long transatlantic telephone conversation with Ambassador Dawes and Senator Dwight Morrow in London, the Secretary of State, declared that it now appears unnecessary that the United States should participate in the drafting of the British, French, and Italian naval agreement.—*Reuter's American Service.*

INCREDIBLE SCENE IN PARLIAMENT.

Nazis Severely Beaten by Communists.

POLICE RESTORE ORDER.

Hamburg, Yesterday.
A savage revenge for the murder of Henning was taken by Communist members in the Hamburg Parliament this afternoon. As soon as the House opened Communists rushed on the Nazis and beat them so severely that several were badly injured before the Police, who were summoned, were able to restore order with their batons.
Seven Communists were suspended for one month.—*Reuter.*

FIRE AND RIOTING IN U.S. PRISON.

Due to Arrival of the "Boy Murderer."

DIABOLICAL CRIME.

Joliet, Illinois, Yesterday.
Fire and rioting raged in New Stateville prison, one of the finest penal institutions in the world, following the arrival of the notorious boy murderer, Nathan Leopold, and nineteen other prisoners from the old prison in consequence of rioting there.

The walls of the penitentiary swarmed with armed guards, bombarding the rebels with tear gas and rifles. Four convicts were injured by rifle fire. The laundry, the dining hall, the furniture factory, and other reformatory departments were gutted. The damage is estimated at \$300,000.

The origin of the trouble was due to Leopold, a University student and the member of a wealthy family, who was convicted several years ago, with a co-student, Loeb, for the diabolical "scientific" murder of a school boy named Franks. There was no motive, except to accomplish a "perfect murder."—*Reuter's American Service.*

MR. REMEDIOS AND HIS NOTES.

Extraordinary Position Disclosed.
WHO ACTUALLY SIGNED?

When the trial of Fauja Singh on charges of perjury was resumed at the Assizes this morning, Mr. Remedios was recalled by the Chief Justice, and subjected to a lengthy interrogation as to notes he had signed at various times.
Subsequently Mr. Jenkin re-examined, and after considerable questioning, witness admitted that he had given a note to a money-lender named Bachan Singh after Mr. Jarvis had made a settlement of all debts on his behalf. Witness could not recognise four notes to the same man as having been shown to him at the time of settlement, although he was of opinion that they had been paid.
As regards his notes to Fauja Singh, witness saw the third and last one written. It was written by Mr. Costa, except that witness inserted the words and figures "\$1,000 only" in the body. This was a consolidation note for witness's outstanding liabilities.

His Lordship asked what was the reason for witness writing the first two notes and Costa writing the third.
Witness said that the paper was handed to Costa; that was all. Anybody could have written it.
Witness was questioned at length by His Lordship as to the stamping of various notes. In each case, he said, the red stamp was on the document when he signed it. His Lordship then pointed out that the law required a promissory note to be so stamped before signature. If not, it was void, and subsequent stamping was no remedy.

With this view Mr. Somerset Fitzroy concurred.

Puzzle Over Stamping.

Later, His Lordship remarked upon the fact that witness said he had signed notes at certain dates, whereas the date on the stamp was considerably later. In one instance it was a month after. He asked the Crown to bring a witness from the Stamp Office to give evidence on the point.

Mr. Fitzroy agreed, stating that the position was an extraordinary one in the light of witness's statements.

Mr. Remedios was closely questioned by Mr. Jenkin as to a statement he made yesterday. He had then said that he was quite certain that all the notes he had given to Bachan Singh were signed by himself alone.
Mr. Jenkin produced a note signed jointly by witness and Mr. Costa, given to Bachan Singh.
Witness was understood to reply that this and another signed jointly were renewal notes. The original notes were signed by himself alone.
The case is proceeding.

RAIN AND FOG.

To-day's weather report from the Royal Observatory states: The anti-cyclone is now central over Mid Japan.

Moderating monsoon prevails along the S.E. Coast of China and over the N. China Sea.

Forecast:—E. winds; fresh to moderate; overcast at first, possibly finer interval, then rain and fog.

Rainfall.

Rainfall for 24 hours ended at 10 a.m.—nil. Rainfall since January 1—3.89 inches against an average of 4.70 inches—deficit 0.81 inch.

Temperature.

The temperature at certain specified centres this morning at 6 o'clock was:—

Hong Kong 60
Macao 55
Pratas Island 72
Manila 77
Fochow 54
Amoy 56
Swatow 56
Chefoo 42
Shanghai 40

WHARF & GODOWN COMPANY.

Chairman's Review of the Year.
PROFIT DOWN: SHIPS UP.

The 44th ordinary annual meeting of the Hong Kong & Kowloon Wharf & Godown Co., Ltd., was held to-day in the Board room of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd.

The Hon. Mr. J. J. Patterson presided and was supported by the Hon. Mr. C. Gordon Mackie, Messrs. Frank Austin, Allan Cameron, J. E. Joseph, H. H. H. Priestly, J. P. Warren, T. B. Wilson (Directors), and F. H. Crapnell (Secretary).

Shareholders present were Messrs. P. S. Cassidy, A. Murdoch, J. Hyde, M. O'Brien, F. A. Joseph, C. H. W. Kew, J. H. Taggart, K. Stuart-Smith, J. M. Alves, and H. F. Un.

In proposing the adoption of the report and accounts, the Chairman said:—

During the past year 902 steamers discharged at the wharves, this being 35 more than during the year 1929. From these vessels, together with those which discharged in the stream, we landed 942,500 tons cargo against 970,500 tons the previous year, or a decrease of 28,000 tons. The average cost exclusive of nightwork and light-erage, per ton to shipowners for landing this cargo was \$1.13, which for the greater part of the year was equivalent to something less than one shilling and sixpence. For cheapness in handling costs, I can safely say this cannot be challenged by any other port.

Your Directors have carefully considered whether it would be expedient to increase the landing charges; they decided, however, that it was inadvisable in view of the depressed state of shipping and of the fact that additional costs have recently been levied from other sources on shipping using this Harbour. Another point that must not be lost sight of when considering cost of handling cargo is that this port is essentially a transshipment port and if Hong Kong is to maintain its position as a distributing centre, port expenses must be kept at a minimum.

CHURCHILL ON INDIA

LORD SANKEY FOR FEDERATION.
"TORIES READY" GANDHI BREAKING UP THE EMPIRE.

London, Yesterday.
"After the frustration of Socialist efforts to entice Conservatives out to India, Gandhi is coming to London to discuss the best means of breaking up the Empire, but this time the Conservatives are ready," declared Mr. Winston Churchill in a pungent speech at a crowded mass meeting of the Indian Empire Society in the Albert Hall, which adopted with acclamation a resolution moved by Lord Burnham, (a member of the Simon Commission), that "further weakness in

appeal to force is the bankruptcy of statecraft. The future of India is no longer in the melting pot. The metal of its new constitution is being hammered out on the anvil of public opinion. It is in the nature of things that the sparks should fly, but the sparks fly forgotten—the true metal remains. We never went to India to conquer. We went there to trade. The inherited genius of our race and some fostering star have given us an Empire, but it is an Empire which we hold in trust for many creeds and nations whose classes and communities are entitled to our protection.

Western Ideals.
"Rightly or wrongly we have educated Indians in Western ideals, introduced them to Western institutions, and admitted them to our councils. The language of their Legislative Assemblies and of Congress itself is our mother tongue. Time after time we have made them promises. It is too late to go back. We must go forward. It is our traditional policy and has been a secret of our success. Then will follow a settled Government, material prosperity, and a reign of law."

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Formal Business.
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NEW YORK'S MAYOR IN THE PILLORY.

"Jimmy Walker Said To Be Incompetent."
CITIZENS' ACCUSATIONS.

New York, Yesterday.
Formal charges that Mayor Jimmy Walker discharged his duties in a "wasteful, incompetent fashion" are made by the City Affairs Committee, whose report is published by Governor of the State, Mr. F. D. Roosevelt.
The Committee, which is a private organisation of leading citizens, says that Walker's "conduct in office was incompetent, inefficient, and futile, the result of which being that the machinery of Government failed to function and the administration of the City was brought into disrepute."
Last week a petition sent to Governor Roosevelt by the Society for the Prevention of Crime which, without impugning the Mayor's integrity, demanded: "Some proof that he really desired to clean up the City."—*Reuter's American Service.*

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ence were not plenipotentiary. It was their responsibility to examine the facts and to make suggestions. The Federal Structure Sub-Committee's report was, therefore, drafted so as to leave many questions open, but in his view there was a problem in India that was insolvent. It was perfectly plain to be fair to each constitution, fair and just to every body, and with the present events before them the combined wisdom of East and West would be needed.

After the recent proposals put forward by the Conference Mr. Sankey said that he had assured himself of the future policy. Did they, he asked, desire an India accompanied by conciliation? If they choose conciliation they would gain nearly all they wished and lose but little.

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Invasion of House in Peel Street.
ALARM SCARES INTRUDERS.

Before the Acting Puisne Judge (Mr. Justice R. E. Lindsell) at the Assizes this morning, Chan Cheung, alias Lam Yiu, was charged with assault by two or more with intent to rob.
The statement of offence was that the accused, on January 22 last, with five persons unknown, at 41, Peel Street, first floor, assaulted a woman named Ho So with intent to rob her.
In reply to the charge the accused said: I did not assault her.
His Lordship: Did you help others to assault her? No.
A jury was then called and the case for the prosecution was opened by Mr. T. S. Whyte-Smith, who said that the complainant, a married woman, lived on the first floor of 41, Peel Street, together with her husband, a child, and an amah.

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DIVIDED OPINION AMONG LIBERALS.

Will Lloyd George Join the Cabinet.
INDIGNITY FOR CHIEF WHIP.

London, Yesterday.
Rumours of a closer Liberal-Labour Association, even the possibilities of Mr. Lloyd George accepting a portfolio in the Labour Cabinet, were rife this evening, prior to a meeting of the Liberal Parliamentary Party which, however, nothing definite was done, and a motion of Mr. Lloyd George, the meeting adjourned to March 24 when the whole attitude of the Party towards the Government will be considered.

Sir Archibald Sinclair read a letter resigning the Chief Whipship, owing to the "general division of opinion in the Party."

Mr. Lloyd George stated that he stood by Sir Archibald Sinclair. It was a serious position and he did not feel that he could call on any other member of the Party to submit to the indignity to which Sir Archibald had been subjected.

Fate Of Party.
The question whether the Liberals will cease to be a Party or become two groups rests upon the laps of Mr. Lloyd George and Sir John Simon at a meeting which is to be held to-day when the Parliamentary Liberal Party will discuss "the grave crisis" arising from the dissentient Liberals' opposition to Clause 4 of the Electoral Reform, seeking to abolish University representation, which was defeated in the House of Commons on Monday.

An analysis of the division list shows that ten Liberals voted against the Government on Monday, twenty-three were absent and nineteen supported the measure.

This denoted a cleavage on essential Liberal legislation, which has impelled Sir Archibald Sinclair to tender his resignation as Chief Whip.

Viscount Grey, in a speech last night, favoured the retention of the Government in office, particularly on account of its overseas policy. He stated that "as regards India, for example, they had not only adopted the right policy, but had handled that policy very well, while all Liberals could support their general policy in foreign affairs."—*Reuter.*

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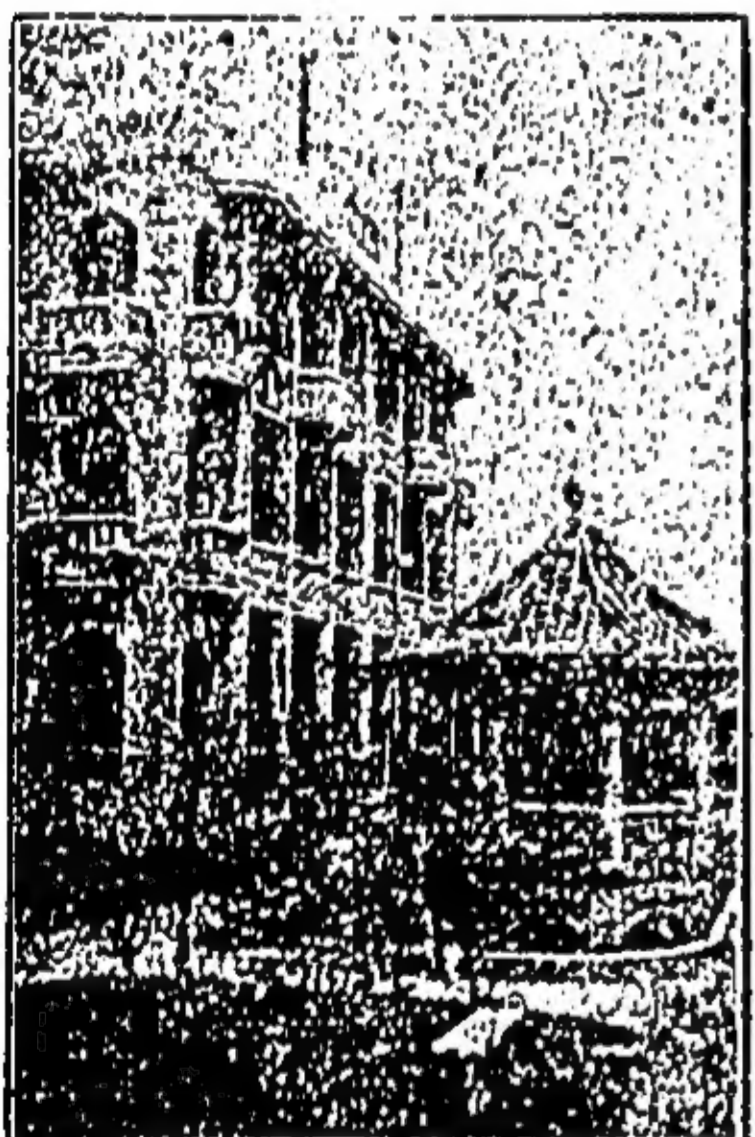
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NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE SIXTY-SECOND ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of Shareholders will be held at the Offices of the Undersigned on THURSDAY, the 26th March, 1931, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the General Managers, together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ended the 31st December, 1930.

The SHARE REGISTER and TRANSFER BOOKS will be CLOSED from the 12th to the 26th March, 1931, both days inclusive.

JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., LTD.,
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The Hong Kong Fire Insurance Co., Ltd.
Hong Kong, 5th March, 1931.

**THE HONG KONG & WHAMPOA
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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS will be held in the Office of the Company, 2, Queen's Building, Hong Kong, on MONDAY, 30th March, 1931, at Noon, for consideration of the Directors' Report and Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1930.

The SHARE REGISTER and TRANSFER BOOKS will be CLOSED from the 23rd to the 28th March, 1931, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
R. M. DYER,
Chief Manager.

Hong Kong, 17th March, 1931.

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NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE TWENTY-SIXTH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of Shareholders will be held in the Offices of Messrs. Dodwell & Company, Limited, on TUESDAY, the 31st March, 1931, at 3 p.m., for the purpose of receiving the Report of the General Managers together with a Statement of Accounts to 31st December, 1930.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 23rd March to 31st March, 1931, both days inclusive.

DODWELL & COMPANY,
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General Managers.
Hong Kong, March 18, 1931.

GENERAL NOTICES

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The picture is noteworthy for the presence of two outstanding stars of the British stage, Fay Compton and Miriam Segar, both of whom give splendid performances. Miss Compton sings one of Schertzinger's latest song hits, "I Still Believe in You." His other song hit, "Delphine," is sung by Menjou.

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"LOVE IN THE ROUGH"

This interview cost the writer five dollars.

Robert Montgomery was out on the golf course when we found him. He was practising swinging a milder.

"I could sail that ball over the road," he boasted.

We looked. The road was several hundred yards distant, screened from the greens by towering eucalyptus trees, planted as a wind-break. It seemed too good to be true.

"For five bucks," we suggested. Bobby nodded and swung. That's the last we saw of the ball. Or the five.

It seems Montgomery is just that way. He will say he can do almost anything and surprise every one by doing it. That's the secret of his success in pictures.

"When I came to Hollywood, unknown, just about a year ago, all my friends on the New York stage said I'd be glad to get back to Broadway inside of six months," he related. "They said I wouldn't last and pointed to all the 'big names' on the stage who had tried movies and failed."

"I resolved not to get the horse laugh from them. Instead of sitting down waiting for parts to come to me in Hollywood I went out and hunted them. A director would say, 'Can you do that kind of part?' I promptly said, 'Yes.' I didn't have a 'no' in my vocabulary. I managed somehow to get by all kinds of roles by working hard for and in them and not simply assuming they were going to be good because I was playing them."

"There have been some parts people advised me not to play because they weren't sympathetic. They mean nothing to me. A hiss for a villain is just as good as a kiss for a hero."

"In my new picture, 'Love in the Rough,' adapted from the Broadway stage hit, 'Spring Fever,' I feel I am being rewarded. It is my first chance at musical comedy and light and happy characterization. I have never enjoyed playing in anything so much in my life. I only hope I may continue to do this sort of thing from time to time. In the meanwhile I am still willing to wreck homes or what have you."

Charles F. (Chuck) Reisner directed the new Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer picture which will open today in the Queen's Theatre.

"MADAM SATAN,"

Of all the various collections owned by Cecil B. De Mille, including old shawls and streamers, one of the most interesting is undoubtedly his fill of quips and jokes directed against his use in pictures of bath-tubs, showers and other such natorial devices.

Since he first used a bathroom in "Old Wives for New," and subsequently in "Male and Female," De Mille has been hilariously hailed as the "Bath Tub King" of the Movies.

For the amusement of his friends De Mille has carefully saved all jokes about his bath-tubs.

Of the collection the Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer director considers as the piece de resistance the one which states that "if the contents of all Cecil B. De Mille's bath tubs were emptied at one time, the resulting flood would fill the Yale Bowl."

De Mille is stated to have a glass enclosed shower, in "Madam Satan," his latest all-talking vehicle, which will open on Sunday in the Queen's Theatre. Reginald Denny and Roland Young get under it, with their clothes on, in the hope of remedying the effects of what was evidently a rather hectic "night before."

RADIO**TO-DAY'S PROGRAMME.**

The following programme will be broadcast to-day from the Hong Kong Broadcasting Station Z.H.W. on a wavelength of 855 5-8 p.m.—European Programme of Victor & H.M.V. Records kindly supplied by Messrs. S. Moutrie & Co.

5-53.3 p.m.—Orchestral.
Metropolis (Percy Grainger).
Paul Whiteman and His Concert Orchestra (35933-34).

Gypsy Love (Lohar).
International Concert Orch. (C1402).

Nell Gwyn Country Dance (German).
New Symphony Orchestra (B2987).

Ginger Snaps (Bourdon).
Dance Bagatelle (Bourdon).
Victor Novelty Orchestra (22201).

5-53-6 p.m.—Pianoforte & Organ Solos.

Pianoforte Solo—
Minstrels (Debussy).
Ignace Jan Paderewski (1499).

(This Record is by Special Request.)
Pianoforte Solo—
Waltz in C Sharp Minor (Chopin).

Waltz in A Flat Major (Chopin).
Sergei Rachmaninoff (1245).

Organ Solo—
Swing of the Kit (Ewing).
Southward Bound (Franklyn).
Edward O'Henry (B3603).

Pianoforte Solo—
Valse Quilice (Liszt).
Capriccio in F Minor (Dohnanyi).
Valdimir Horowitz (1455).

6-6.45 p.m.—European Children's Programme from the Studio. Miss Norah Didsbury will play "Valse" Op. 69 No. 2 by Chopin.

6.45-7.20 p.m.—Concert Items.
Song—
Down in the Valley (Moir).
Essie Ackland, Contralto (C1702).

Violin Solo—
Ruralia Hungarica—Molto Vivace (Dohnanyi).
Fritz Kreisler (1428).

Song—
Addio (Tosti).
Enrico Caruso, Tenor (7156).

Cello Solo—
Vito (Popper).
Pablo Casals (1311).

Trio—
Memories of Home (Gutman).
Neapolitan Trio (35765).

Duet—
What is Done (Cuvillier).
Winnie Melville and Derek Oldham (C1690).

Violin Solo—
Vocalise (Rachmaninoff—Press).
Mischa Elman (1394).

Song—
Richard of Taunton Dean (Arr. Molloy).
Stuart Robertson, Bass-Baritone (B3668).

7.20-8 p.m.—
Symphony No. 4 in F Minor (Tschukowski).
Philadelphia Symphony Orch. under the direction of Leopold Stokowski (6929-33).

8-10.30 p.m.—Chinese Studio Concert.
9 p.m.—Weather Report, Local Time, etc.
10.30 p.m.—Close Down.

"The Reckless Hour" is to be the screen title of First National's adaptation of Willa Cather's novel, "A Lost Lady" which will go into production soon.

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Medway—No. 2 buoy.
Oasis—East wall.
Oswald—East wall.
Petersfield—North wall.
Sepoy—South wall.
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Serapis—No. 7 buoy.
Sirdar—No. 11 buoy.
Sterling—No. 10 buoy.
Suffolk—North arm.
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Karl Schmidt, sat in the
cabin of the Josephine K after
the capture and became intoxicated
by drinking ale and
whiskey.

Two witnesses expressed the
belief that Schmidt was sober
when he boarded the prize, thus
inferring that he was sober when
he shelled the rumboat, but a
third witness expressed the belief
that Schmidt was drunk when he
fired the shots. All agreed that
after coming aboard the rumboat
he consumed several bottles of
ale and drank some whiskey, and
that before he departed he was
well under the influence of liquor.

The testimony of the Josephine
K's crew was introduced at the
request of Mr. Campbell, the
British Consul-General.
Captain Cecil Gabbett, com-
manding the detail to which
Schmidt was attached, testified
that he had talked to Schmidt
when the latter reported the
seizure, and that there was no
evidence that Schmidt had been
drinking.

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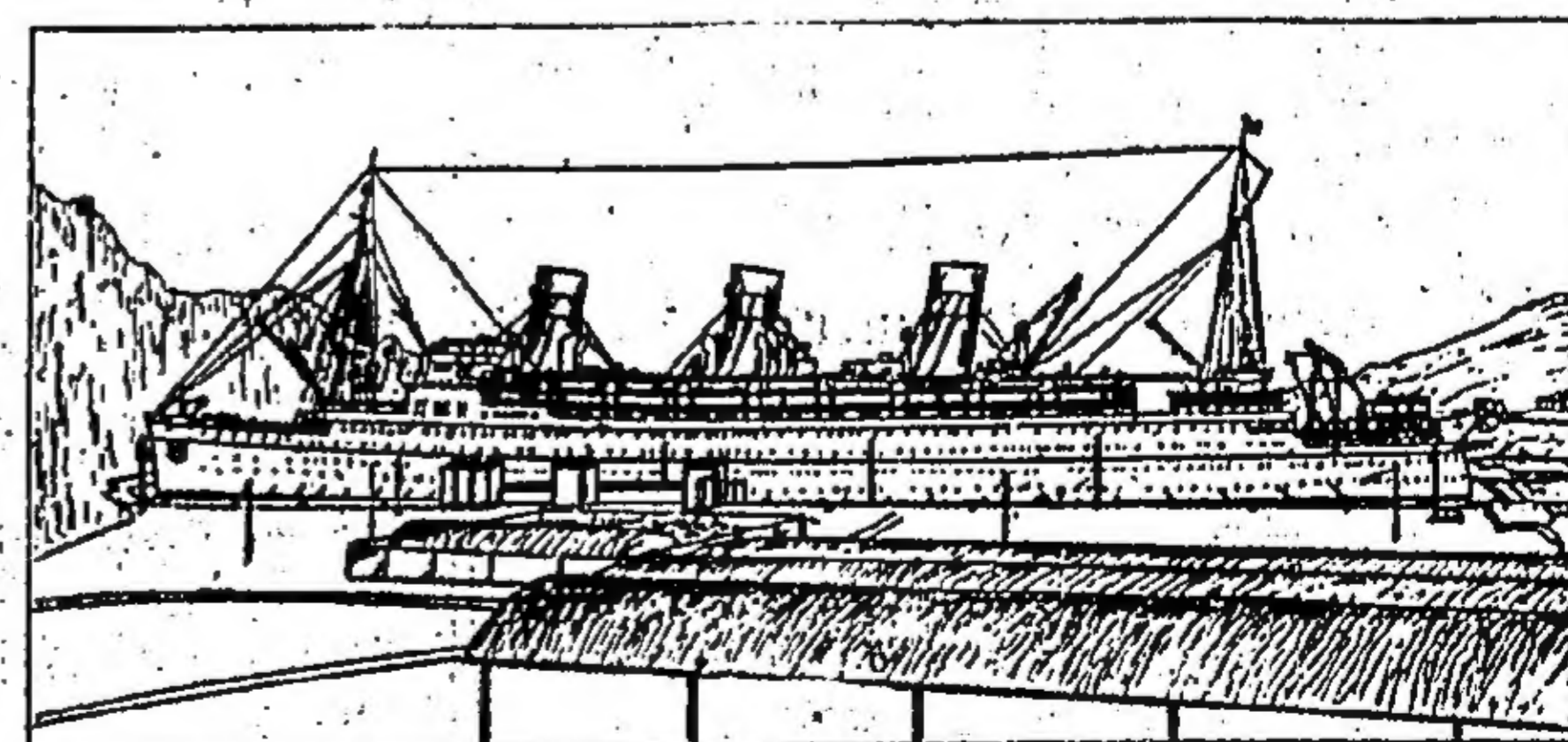
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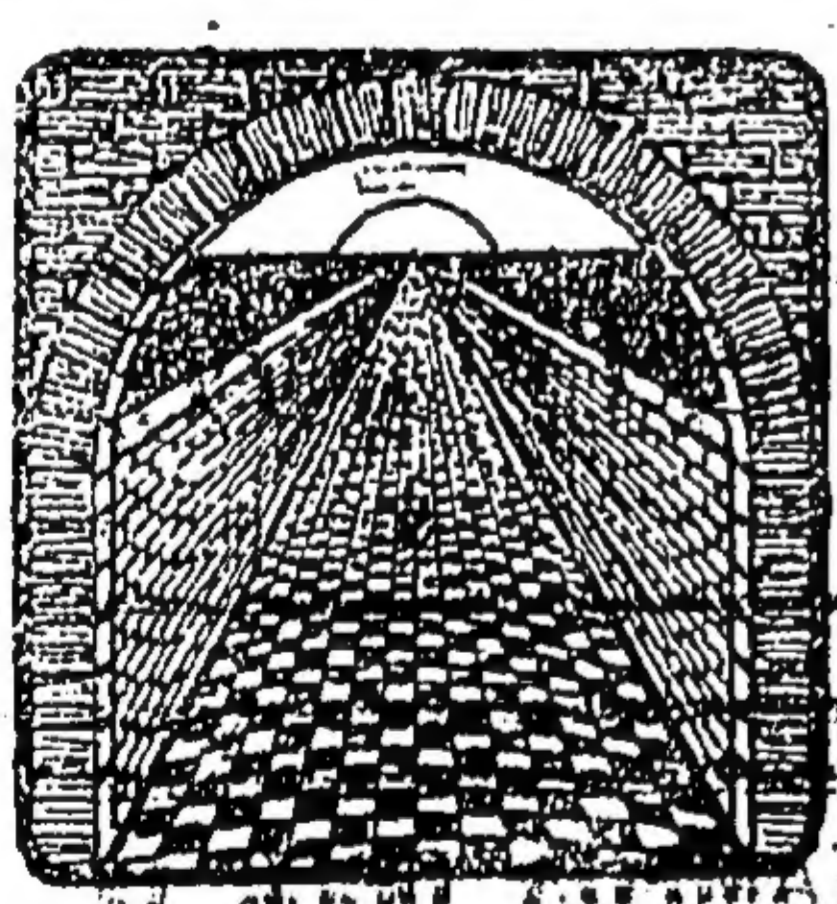
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ANNOUNCEMENT.

Mr. and Mrs. Ho Kwong, have
pleasure in announcing that the
marriage of their eldest daughter,
Mary, to Mr. Sai-wa Liang, B.A.,
Oxon., will take place on Mon-
day, March 30, when a reception
will be held at the Roof Garden of
the Hong Kong Hotel at four o'clock
the same afternoon. All friends
are cordially invited to the recep-
tion. No cards will be issued.

Hong Kong, Thursday, March 19, 1931.

BRITAIN'S CHANCE.

The British Empire Trade
Exhibition in Buenos Aires,
which the Prince of Wales open-
ed on Sunday, is a symbol of the
traditional ties of friendship be-
tween Britain and South America
which go back well into the last
century. "The services rendered
in the past to the cause of liberty
by individual Britons," it has been
well said, "are remembered in
South America to-day with grati-
tude and affection; and this
prestige may without doubt be at-
tributed to the liberal support
given by British Foreign Minis-
ters to South American countries
in the nineteenth century, to their
statesmanship, and their practical
sympathy with the aims and as-
pirations of the South American
people."

Besides these historical, senti-
mental ties, a series of economic
links have developed between the
South American Republics and
Britain. It is no facile truism to
say that Argentina, for example,
occupies a position of economic
inter-relationship with Britain
for which no precise parallel
exists outside the Empire. Ar-
gentina's dependence on the Bri-
tish consumer and his purchasing
power is absolute in the case of

meat and considerable in regard
to other products.

No less an authority than the
D'Abernon Trade Mission has
made the weighty pronouncement
that if Argentina is to maintain
her relative economic position "it
will be by British co-operation,
through holding open a free mar-
ket for Argentine production and
through the further investment
of British capital"—which al-
ready, in fact, amounts to over
£600,000,000.

Before the War, the economic
relations between the Republic
and Britain were, on the whole, to
be regarded as satisfactory. Since
the War, from a variety of causes,
the preponderance of imports
from the United States and Ger-
many has been very marked.
British imports have maintained,
in certain of the older-established
lines, an adequate proportion of
the trade. It has been in the newer
lines—motor-cars, wireless and
radio appliances, electrical, and
agricultural wares—that Brit-
tain has lagged. That this is
merely a temporary condition is
probably true. But in Britain
crushing taxation, the absence of
tariffs with which to bargain for
reciprocity, heavy production
costs and overhead charges, and
the general uncertainty as to the
whole position, have, in the words
of Sir Charles Bedford, the
founder of the Anglo-Spanish In-
stitute, "tended to create a spirit
of excessive caution which has
been interpreted in certain quar-
ters as an indication that those
sterling characteristics of enter-
prise and energy for which, in the
past, Britain has justly been
noted, are on the wane."

Some British firms—though too
few at present—are second to
none in the world in matters of
business activity, ability, and en-
terprise in Latin-American mar-
kets. It is for the benefit of the
large number, especially of small-
er firms, that one enquires what
may be done to help in the strug-
gle.

Unlike the German, the Briton
in the past has been averse to
combinations in trade, even with
other non-competing units in the
same line. The report of Lord
D'Abernon's Mission to South
America emphasised the great
success that has been achieved
there by combinations of British
firms even in limited trading
spheres. The lack of combination
among smaller British trading
units for the purposes of counter-
ing the enormous advertising pro-
paganda activities of their rivals
is striking.
Doubtless the British Exhibi-
tion in Buenos Aires—due very
largely, no doubt, to the initiative

and drive of the British-Argen-
tine colony—is a splendid effort
in the right direction. It inevit-
ably leads one to the conclusion
that an exhibition on similar lines
might in the near future be ar-
ranged in Hong Kong or Canton
for the encouragement of Sino-
British trade. One earnestly
hopes that its effects may not be,
as has been the case so often be-
fore, more or less rapidly evanes-
cent; that it will be made clear
that goods can be offered at a com-
petitive price to the ultimate pur-
chaser.

News in Brief.

The lowest open air temperature
yesterday was 60 degrees. The
humidity was 76 degrees both at
10 a.m. and 4 p.m.

The annual dinner of the Oxford
and Cambridge Society will take
place in Lane, Crawford's Restau-
rant on Saturday at 8.15 p.m.

The annual general meeting of
the Union Waterboat Co. Ltd., will
be held in the offices of Messrs.
Dodwell and Co., Ltd., on March
31, at 3 p.m.

Dr. Li Shu-pu's lecture "Post
Graduate Studies Abroad" which
was postponed by the University
Medical Society, will take place on
Tuesday at 5.15 p.m. in the Union
Assembly Room. All are cordi-
ally invited.

The marriage of Mr. Sai-wa Liang,
B.A., Oxon., to Mary, eldest daugh-
ter of Mr. and Mrs. Ho Kwong,
will take place on Monday, March
30. A reception will take place at
4 p.m. in the roof garden of the
Hong Kong Hotel.

General Wu Ting-yang, ex-Com-
missioner for Reconstruction in
Kwangsi, left Hong Kong yesterday
morning on a Japanese steamer for
Shanghai to interview President
Chiang Kai-shek on behalf of Gen-
eral Wang Shao-hung.

Professor L. Forster, M.A., will
deliver a lecture on "The Position
of Chinese Study" on Wednesday at
8.30 p.m. in the Union Assembly
Room, when the next meeting of
the Education Society is held. All
interested are welcome.

Suddenly seized with a fit of
madness, a three-months-old brown
Airedale dog bit Mrs. Hunt, wife of
Mr. J. H. Hunt, on the left leg at
3, King's Park-Drive yesterday.
She was taken to the Kowloon
Hospital, whilst the dog was sent to
Ma Tau Kok for observation.

A fine of five dollars or ten days'
jail was imposed on five Chinese
who were caught trespassing on
Crown Land in Kowloon City. In
the Police Court this morning, they
pleaded that they were unaware
that the land was Government prop-
erty, and they were clearing a
space in order to plant potatoes.

Yesterday afternoon, at the
assizes, the Acting Puisne Judge
(Mr. Justice R. E. Lindsell) passed
sentence of six years' hard labour
on Fong Ping, charged with as-
sault, with four persons un-
known, on Wong Sik-chuen, a Chi-
nese doctor living on the second floor
of 60, Leichikok Road, with intent
to rob him.

Lady Peel has consented to per-
form the opening ceremony of an
exhibition at the Po Leung Kuk to-
morrow at 11 a.m. when a variety
of work made by the women in-
mates will be on display. The
foundation stone of the new Po
Leung Kuk in Leighton Hill Road
will be laid by His Excellency the
Governor on Monday at 3 p.m.

Mr. E. W. Hamilton (as Coroner)
sitting with a jury at the Kowloon
Magistrate's yesterday afternoon,
conducted an inquiry into the death
of a Chinese youth, Kwok Ping, who
was knocked down by a motor bus
in Shanghai Street and killed on
January 30. The Jury returned a
verdict of "Accidental Death" and
attached no blame to the driver.

Fung Tang, an assistant com-
pradore on the s.s. Kwong Tung,
who with two others are charged
with breaches of the Opium
Ordinance, made a further ap-
pearance before Mr. Schofield in the
Central Police Court yesterday
afternoon. The first accused was
discharged. The case against the
other two was adjourned to next
week.

Miss Violet Capell informs us
that the gross takings from the two
entertainment given in the Theatre
Royal on March 4 and 6 amounted
to \$1,551. In the meantime she is
forwarding a draft to the London
Hospital for \$10, and is also mak-
ing some donations to deserving
local charities. Miss Capell also
wishes to thank all her pupils who
so generously contributed towards
the gift, which has been presented
to her.

A lecture on "Progress Condi-
tioned by Law and Commerce,"
will be delivered by the Rev.
Father G. Byrne, S.J., D. Phil., on
Tuesday at 8.30 p.m. in the Union
Assembly Room of the University.

The steam launch Hoi On is re-
ported to be aground on a spit run-
ning out of the foreshore of Ching
Hui Island, near Castle Peak Bay.
No damage has been done to the
hull, and no casualties are reported.

A year's hard labour was passed
on Leung Tai-shing in the Kowloon
Police Court this morning for re-
turning from banishment within the
prohibited period. He was sent
away in February, 1930, for ten
years.

That he picked them up in
Nathan Road was the excuse
proffered by Pun Yuk, who was sent
to prison for fourteen days by
Mr. E. W. Hamilton in the Kowloon
Police Court for having unlawful
possession of eight iron rods in
Canton Road.

A Chinese boy, Chan Fat-cheun,
appeared in the Kowloon Police
Court to-day charged with the theft
of \$1.43 from a stall in Peiho
Street. He snatched a basket in
which the money was contained, and
bolted. Eight strokes of the cane
was ordered.

The Police Armoury Department
has suffered a loss in the death of
Tsui Cheuk (60), who passed away
suddenly this morning in his home.
He had been ill for a few days. He
joined the Police as an armourer in
1924, and was formerly connected
with the Royal Army Ordnance
Corps.

A girl, Cheung Ngau-nai, aged
three years, was taken to the Gov-
ernment Civil Hospital yesterday
suffering from injuries to her
mouth, caused by a chopstick. The
infant accidentally fell out of bed
on the first floor of 53, Second
Street, West Point, the chop stick
being in her mouth at the time.

To-day in the Kowloon Police
Court, Li Kin, a coolie, was sent to
jail for one month for having un-
lawful possession of four cotton
singlets, which he alleged he picked
up from underneath a mat on a
P. & O. ship last Saturday. "Every
one likes a few singlets to wear,"
he replied when asked why he took
them away.

CORRESPONDENCE.

"MILK OF HUMAN KINDNESS."

(To the Editor of the "China Mail").

Sir,—I noticed in your yester-
day's issue that the Dairy Farm
Company states that it may be
necessary to raise the price of milk,
and a little further down the
column decided to give a 10 per
cent. bonus to the staff!!! I would
suggest that if they do raise the
price, the milk should be sold in
bottles specially marked "The
milk of human kindness."

Yours, etc.,

P. O. K. FULLEM.

Hong Kong, March 19.

TARIFF SCHEDULE.

REVISION OF SCALE IN CHINA PROPOSED.

DEFICIT OF \$143,000,000.

Nanking, Yesterday.
Mr. T. V. Soong has submitted
to the Central Political Council a
memorandum proposing a revision
of the export tariff schedule. He
suggests that the old export tariff
rates collected ad valorem shall re-
main at 7.5 per cent, but that ex-
port duties collected according to
quantity shall be increased from
3 per cent. to 5 per cent.

The memorandum points out that
a deficit of \$143,000,000 is ex-
pected for the current fiscal year, and
that urgent measures will be neces-
sary to meet the financial stringen-
cy. It goes on to state that the
existing export schedule was pro-
mulgated seventy years ago, and is
unsuitable for present conditions;
and declares that the increase will
be very small and will not have
any adverse effect on the trade or
industry of China.—Reuter.

SHIP OVERLOADING.

CAPTAIN BOUSFIELD FINED \$200.

Captain Bousfield, master of the
s.s. Tai Lee, was fined \$200 in the
Marine Court this morning for
overloading his ship at the Ping
On Wharf at 7 p.m. on March 17.
He pleaded "guilty" but said
that, during the afternoon of the
day in question, he was not on
board the ship, and the people on
board took on cargo before junk-
ing coal with the result that
when the coaling was completed
the vessel was overloaded.
In convicting the "Hon." Comdr.
G. F. Hole, R.N. (retired), said
that as Mr. Bousfield was the cap-
tain of the boat, he must hold him
responsible.

BRUTAL MURDERS OF EUROPEANS.

Lady Missionaries Killed in Bed.

CHILDREN UNHARMED.

Shanghai, Yesterday.
The Seventh Day Adventist Mis-
sion here has received a wire from
Yunnanfu stating that Mrs. White
and Mrs. Miller were murdered in
bed on Monday morning.
One was found dead, and the
other passed away in Yunnanfu
hospital shortly afterwards.
Mrs. White's two children were
present, but were unharmed. The
women's husbands, however, are at
present at Talfu, 200 miles and ten
days' journey from Yunnanfu.
The wire does not mention the
cause of the murders nor who the
perpetrators were.

Peking, Yesterday.
It is learned that the murdered
missionaries at Yunnanfu, Mrs.
Miller and Mrs. White, were killed
during the night by discharged ser-
vants, who fractured their skulls
with hatchets, apparently while
they were asleep.
Hitherto there have been no
arrests.

Political Motive?
A foreign official message from
Yunnanfu, dated the 16th inst.,
states that two American mis-
sionary ladies were murdered there
the previous night but their
names are not given.
The crime is not believed to
have been connected with the
political troubles in Yunnan
where the situation is still con-
fused.

Four recalcitrant Generals have
failed to agree regarding the con-
stitution of the government so they
are requesting Lung Yun to re-
turn to take the post.

Priest Released.

Peking, Yesterday.
The Apostolic Delegation has
received a telegram from Mgr.
Baleoni stating that Father Filla
has been released. The telegram
is dated from Nanchang, Shensi,
the 9th inst.

The Delegation states that this
leaves four Catholic missionaries
still in the hands of the bandits or
"Rods," namely Fathers Tier-
ney, Hidalgo, Avito and von Arx.
It does not mention the Italian
Fathers Icasaro and Leopoldo,
captured at Lichow, Hunan, last
November, concerning whose re-
lease no news has been received
here as yet.

A message from Fathers Nelson
and Tvedt, dated the 11th inst.,
states that their health is good
and that they are still held by
bandits in Anhui.—Reuter.

SKING TO SCHOOL.

Incessant Snow In Switzerland.

Berne, March 10.
Not for fifty years has Switzer-
land experienced such Arctic cold
conditions as at present.

It has snowed incessantly since
Saturday and the whole country
is covered by a phenomenal mantle
of snow. Tradesmen in several
towns are delivering goods on
skis. Even in the capital there is
a depth of three feet of snow and
the streets are alive with young-
sters sking to school and busi-
ness men sking to office.

Traffic has almost stopped at
Basle and in mountainous areas
conditions are much worse.
Two trains have been derailed
owing to the depth of the drifts.
There were no casualties.—Reu-
ter Wireless.

SUBSIDY FROM MOSCOW.

Allegations Against Certain Swedish Newspapers.

Stockholm, March 11.
A German named Kuehl was
arrested in a restaurant here while
dining with two Russian journal-
ists.

It is alleged that documents found
in his rooms show that certain
Communist newspapers in Sweden
were subsidised from Moscow. The
documents also contained reports on
the political situation in Sweden.—
Reuter Wireless.

Ten Years Ago.

[From the "China Mail" of
March 19, 1921.]

To-day's dollar is worth 2 1/4 d.

In consequence of the Chinese
hotels and restaurants having com-
bined in a boycott of the fish de-
alers' guild in order to bring pres-
sure to bear in a dispute over re-
funds to hotels at the end of each
month, customers at Chinese hotels
can have no fish.

Local firms and factories that
pack stuff for export have been tied
up lately by a strike of those who
prepare the packing materials.

FAMILY OF NINE KILLED.

Death-Roll Lower Than
First Feared

BALKAN EARTHQUAKE.

Vienna, March 10.
It is now believed that the death-roll in the Balkan earthquake does not exceed more than 80 or 100 people, which is somewhat lower than at first feared.
The latest news from the stricken zone states that altogether 21 villages in southern Dalmatia have been damaged by shocks and 14 villages have been practically wiped out. It is estimated that about 2,000 houses have been destroyed.
The work of removing the debris led to some tragic discoveries. A whole family of nine people were found dead at Sirovo beneath the ruins of their house, while six people of one family met a similar fate at Drutiste. One thousand families are without shelter in the district of Gervaholi alone.—Reuter Wireless.

ADRIFT ON ICE FLOE.

Fisherman's Remarkable Escape
From Death.

Riga, March 10.
Trotter with exhaustion, 11 Estonian fishermen dragged themselves ashore from an ice floe on the Latvian coast near Domesties. They had been marooned on the floe for a fortnight, and many days ago their relatives gave them up for lost.
The party was fishing from the island of Kuhn when the floe broke away and started rapidly drifting to sea. The fishermen's distress signals were not observed by passing vessels. The marooned men kept themselves alive by eating the raw flesh of seals. To quench their thirst they had only seawater. They had abandoned all hope when the wind suddenly steered the ice floe in shore.—Reuter Wireless.



"I must have ten pounds and don't know where I am to get it from."
"Good. I thought you were going to expect me to provide it."
Passing Show, London.

AIR-MINDEDNESS.

High Commissioner Buys Prince's Machine.

London, March 10.
Sir Francis Humphreys, the High Commissioner for Iraq, has purchased the Prince of Wales' Puss-Moth aeroplane in which the Prince of Wales and Prince George flew to Paris on the first stage of their journey to Buenos Aires. King Faisal of Iraq has ordered a Puss-Moth for his own use similar to that now being built for the Prince of Wales.
When King Faisal's machine leaves England for Iraq it will head five Gipsy Moth military machines which will form the Iraq Air Force and will all be in charge of Iraqi pilots now being trained in England.—Reuter Wireless.

FRENCH IN MOROCCO.

Big Road and Later A Railway Planned.

Rabat, Morocco, March 10.
Without resistance the French troops have occupied Djebel Tassent and Tizi Oughmi, which have a strategic bearing on the pacification of Morocco.
When the operations have been completed it is intended to build a big road, probably followed by a railway, through northern and western Morocco.—Reuter Wireless.

LARGEST WARSHIP.

Hood Commissioned After Repairs
At Portsmouth.

London, March 10.
The battle cruiser Hood, the world's largest warship, was commissioned at Portsmouth to-day after reconstruction in the dockyard at a cost of \$387,000.
She now carries a catapult for launching aircraft. Following trials she will be home on May 12, the flagship of the battle cruiser squadron.—Reuter Wireless.

TIED TO STAKES AND WHIPPED.

Missionaries Tortured by
Chinese Bandits.

Washington, March 11.
Two missionaries, one an American, the Rev. B. N. Nelson, the other a Norwegian, the Rev. Kjelltor Tvedt, have been tied to stakes and whipped with bamboo poles by Chinese bandits, according to a note sent by the bandits to the American Consul-General in Hankow, informing him of the tortures and demanding that he "hasten the ransom money or worse would follow." The Consul-General informed the State department.
Mr. Nelson was captured at Kuangshen, in Honan, on October 5 and Mr. Tvedt was captured at Lushan on October 16. Both men are in the hands of the Reds at Hwanggan in Hupeh.
There are still 27 British, American, Italian, French, Swiss, Norwegian and Spanish missionaries in the power of bandits in various parts of China. Some of these have been captives for nearly a year.—Reuter Wireless.
Last October the American consul in Hankow received a letter from Hoshan, signed by Mr. Tvedt, stating that he was in the hands of the First Red Army, which was holding him "because of financial difficulties." The Reds demanded \$100,000 ransom.

BIRTH CONTROL.

Paris Court Condemns "Danger
To Morality."

Paris, March 10.
Artistic rights may not be advanced as a plea for preaching birth control, according to the Correctional Court, which has fined a cabaret singer 300 francs for producing a play advocating this controversial practice.
The court rejected the accused's plea of artistic rights and declared that the doctrine constituted a "danger to morality the existence of which, whatever certain people may think, is bound up with the very existence of society."—Reuter Wireless.

MUST LOOK 35.

Rejuvenation for Would-Be
Film Actor.

New York, March 10.
With a chance to make a debut in the talkies if he does not look over 35 years of age, the well-known actor Lou Tellegen is about to retire for ten days to undergo rejuvenation treatment consisting of facial painting in order to shrink the muscles back into their youthful lines.
Tellegen, who was born in Holland, only admits to being 44. He has been married three times. Recently he narrowly escaped being burnt to death through smoking in bed.—Reuter Wireless.

NOT TO ENTER CANADA.

Soviet Refuses Passport To Miss
Tolstoy.

Ottawa, March 11.
The desire of Miss Alexandra Tolstoy, the daughter of the famous writer, to come to Canada to continue her work as a writer and investigator of economic conditions has been frustrated by the Soviet Government's refusal to grant her a passport.
Miss Tolstoy is now lecturing in Japan and, in accordance with the regulations, the Canadian immigration officials have been compelled to forbid her entry to Canada.—Reuter Wireless.

IDLE IN SPAIN.

Extensive Scheme Of Public
Works.

Lisbon, March 11.
The Government has drafted an extensive scheme of public works which, in view of the urgency of the unemployment problem, may be undertaken without the usual legal formalities.
The Cabinet has delegated special measures to six different Ministers—Finance, Marine, Foreign, Commerce, Colonies and Agriculture.—Reuter Wireless.

SNAKES WANTED.

Jersey Parliament Forbids
Export.

London, March 10.
Unlike Ireland, Jersey wants no St. Patrick to drive its snakes into the sea. On the contrary, the Jersey Parliament has just accepted a measure prohibiting the export from the island of green lizards, grass snakes, toads and such reptiles, which it is claimed, are peculiar to the island and of great use to agriculture.—Reuter Wireless.

SHADOWS BEFORE

COMING EVENTS ANNOUNCED
IN CHINA MAIL.

Social Functions.
To-day—Tea Dance at Hong Kong Hotel.
To-night—Dinner Dances at Peninsula and Hong Kong Hotels.
To-morrow—Yorkshire Society's Dinner.
Saturday—Craikengower Cricket Club dance.
Saturday—H.M.S. Cumberland, 8.30.
Saturday—Oxford and Cambridge Society dinner, Lane Crawford's Restaurant, 8.15 p.m.
Entertainments.
To-day—Queen's Theatre.
Love in the Rough.
To-day—Central Theatre.
Fashions in Love.
To-day—Majestic Theatre.
Student Prince.
To-day—Star Theatre.
Husband or Lover.
To-day—World Theatre.
Ten Hurs.
To-day—Concert, Helena May Institute.

Sports.

See Diary on page 8.
Meetings.
To-morrow—Victoria Diocesan and Association, 5.15 p.m.
To-morrow—Hong Kong Automobile Association, Jardine Matheson Board Room, 5.30 p.m.
March 30—Society of St. George, Jardine Matheson's Board Room, 5.30 p.m.
March 30—Hong Kong & Whampoa Dock Co. Ltd., 2, Queen's Building, noon.
March 31—Union Waterboat Co. Ltd., at Messrs. Dodyell's Office, 3 p.m.

Home Mails.

To-day—Inward from Europe via Siberia (Eurylochus); from Europe via Neapalpatan (Soudan).
To-morrow—Inward from Europe via Siberia (Suwa Maru); from America and ports (Empress of Japan).

Lammer's Auction.

Tuesday—At 5, Cañarvon Bldg., Kowloon, household furniture, 10.30 a.m.

Miscellaneous.

To-day—Lecture by Professor C. A. Middleton Smith, University, 8.30 p.m.
To-morrow—Po Leung Kuk hand word exhibition, 11 a.m.
Monday—Laying of foundation stone of new Po Leung Kuk by H.E. the Governor, 3 p.m.
Monday—St. Joseph's College prize distribution, 5 p.m.
Wednesday—Lecture by Prof. L. Forster, Union Assembly Room, University 8.30 p.m.

R.101 DISASTER.

ENQUIRY NOT YET
COMPLETED.

London, Yesterday.
It is officially stated that the report on the R101 disaster is not yet complete.
Mr. Montague stated in the House of Commons yesterday, in reply to a question about the Daily Herald's publication of a forecast, that no copy of the report had yet reached the Air Ministry.—Reuter.

BIRTHS AND DEATHS.

1930 Figures in England And
Wales.

London, March 11.
The lowest general death rate and the lowest infantile mortality were recorded in England and Wales in 1930, according to a summary issued by the Registrar-General which shows that there were 649,000 births and 455,000 deaths in that year.
While the death rate and infantile mortality rates were both the lowest ever recorded, the birth rate was the same as in 1929, which was the lowest ever recorded.—Reuter Wireless.

LAKE RISES 60 FEET.

Increased Activity Of Awoe
Volcano.

Menado, North Celebes, Mar. 12.
The Awoe volcano in the Sangi Island group is increasing in activity.
The lake in the crater has risen 60 feet and is becoming hotter. Four native villages have been evacuated.—Aneta.

POISON. BOOTY.

Enough To Kill Everyone In
Berlin.

Berlin, March 11.
Enough poisons to exterminate the whole population of Berlin were stolen during the night by burglars from a chemical shop here.
The police are making a great effort to find the burglars and their booty, but so far no trace has been found of them.—Reuter Wireless.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the TWENTY-FOURTH ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the Companies Office, No. 2, Ice House Street (St. George's Building), on FRIDAY, the 27th March, 1931, at 12 o'clock noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors, together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31st December, 1930.
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C. BOND, Secretary.
Hong Kong, 19th March, 1931.

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BRITAIN'S POLICY.

How Indian Suspensions Were
Disputed.

London, March 11.
The Prime Minister, in a speech which he made last night, referred to the India Round-Table Conference and to the change that came over the delegates after their arrival in London.
When they came, he said, they were full of suspicion and would hardly talk in a perfectly open way. They seemed to think that, at some unexpected moment, a surprise would be produced, proving that the policy of the British delegates was not quite so straightforward as it appeared to be.
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They went home to tell India that those who did not come over had made a profound mistake and to persuade them that they ought to turn over and join in the negotiations that had begun.
That was the reason why, since they went home, such admirable results had been reached, with Mr. Gandhi.—Reuter Wireless.

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CLASSIFICATION.

OWNERS desiring Classification of their Ponies for the Easter Extra Meeting must notify the Secretary by Noon on TUESDAY, 24th March, 1931, stating Names of Ponies to be Classified.
By Order,
C. B. BROWN, Secretary.
Hong Kong, 19th March, 1931.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

PARTICULARS & CONDITIONS of the Sale by Public Auction to be held on MONDAY, the 23rd day of March, 1931, at 9 a.m., at the Offices of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor, of one lot of Crown Land at Repulse, Bay in the Colony of Hong Kong, for a term of 75 years, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the King, for one further term of 75 years.
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4	1.0	4,840	43,560	1.0	1.0	136	1,360
5	1.0	4,840	43,560	1.0	1.0	136	1,360
6	1.0	4,840	43,560	1.0	1.0	136	1,360
7	1.0	4,840	43,560	1.0	1.0	136	1,360
8	1.0	4,840	43,560	1.0	1.0	136	1,360
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Sport Columns

HOME FOOTBALL LEAGUE.

Exeter City and Hull Defeated.

CELTIC DRAW WITH HEARTS.

In the Southern Section, of Division III, of the English League Southend improved their position by defeating Exeter City (the surprise packet of the Cup tie recently) by a margin of four goals.

York, in the Northern Section, had Hull City, as visitors and won by the odd goal in five. Five matches were played in the First Division of the Scottish League, the outstanding result being the draw between the Hearts and the Celtic on the former's ground in Edinburgh. In consequence Celtic's possible points are reduced to 51—the same as the Rangers—the next best being Motherwell with a possible of 60.

Rangers played Falkirk on Ibrox Park, but the outcome—only a goal win—did not flatter the League champions.

Kilmarnock played Aberdeen at Rugby Park and shared the points. Cowdenbeath met St. Mirren on their own ground and beat the Paisley team by a margin of two goals.

Dundee engaged Ayr United, the result never being in doubt, the "honest men" being three goals in arrears at the finish. They will have to avert some surprises within the next few weeks if they desire to avert going down to the Second Division along with East Fife.

REVISED TABLES.

ENGLISH LEAGUE.

Division III.—South.			
Southend	5	Exeter	1
York	3	Hull City	2
Kilmarnock	1	Aberdeen	0
Rangers	1	Falkirk	0
Cowdenbeath	3	St. Mirren	1
Hearts	1	Celtic	1
Dundee	5	Ayr Un.	2

ENGLISH LEAGUE.

Division III.—North.			
Notts City	33	21	7
Northampton	33	16	8
Southend	33	18	4
Brentford	33	16	6
Crystal Palace	33	16	5
Brighton	33	13	11
Torquay	33	15	7
Fulham	33	15	6
Watford	33	14	7
Clapton O.	33	11	14
Walsall	33	10	16
Thames	33	10	18
Newport	33	9	21
Norwich	33	7	19

SCOTTISH LEAGUE.

Division III.—South.			
Rangers	32	22	5
Motherwell	32	21	6
Celtic	32	19	7
Falkirk	32	20	3
Hearts	32	17	10
Dundee	32	17	11
Hamilton	32	15	14
Airdrie	32	15	15
Cowdenbeath	32	14	16
Glasgow	32	14	16
St. Mirren	32	11	19
Kilmarnock	32	11	19
Queen's Park	32	11	19
Falkirk	32	11	19
Leith	32	11	19
Hibernians	32	11	19
Ayr	32	11	19
East Fife	32	11	19

DRAW IN FOOTBALL CHARITY MATCH.

Dickinson's "Hat Trick" Against Chinese.

POOR ATTENDANCE.

A disappointingly small crowd witnessed the charity football match between the Services and the Chinese at Sookunpoo yesterday in aid of Naval and Military charities. Amongst those present were H.E. the Governor, Sir William Peel, H.E. Major-General J. W. Sandilands, G.O.C., and Capt. A. H. Walker, R.N., the Commodore.

The ball used in the match which was kindly presented by Messrs. Lane, Crawford, Ltd., was drawn for at the interval. A C.P.O. in the Royal Navy was the lucky winner. A ball presented by the H.K. Area Sports Board was also drawn for, Master Hollands holding the winning ticket.

The band of the 2nd Bn. Argyll & Sutherland Highlanders, by kind permission of Col. MacLaine and Officers, delighted the small attendance with well-known selections before the game and during the interval.

After being two goals down at the interval, the Services rallied well in the second half to make a draw of the game at four goals all. The game reached a high standard throughout and the exchanges were both fast and clean. Peacock opened the scoring a few minutes after the start, getting his head to a centre from Sansom. Chui scored the equaliser and a little later on gave the Chinese the lead, which Suen increased before the interval. Although two goals down, the Services had their full share of the game, but had failed in finishing off their movements.

Commencing the second half in a strong position the Chinese scored their fourth goal when Chui netted with a first-timer from close range. A magnificent revival on the part of the Services' attack, however, placed the question of a runaway victory beyond doubt. Dickinson by means of a well-deserved "hat trick" placed the Services on level terms. His third goal was the result of a brilliant solo effort and brought him many rounds of applause. No further scoring took place, both defences holding their ground at all costs.

Result: Services 4 Chinese 4

RYDER CUP PLAYER MARRIED.

Romance of the Golf Course.

JOLLY'S NEW SUCCESS.

A romance of the golf course recently culminated in the wedding at Princess Row register office of Herbert Charles Jolly, professional to the Foxgrove Golf Club, and Miss Joan Katherine Nalder, of Foxgrove Road, Beckenham. The couple first met on a golf course, nearly two years ago, the bride being almost as keen a golfer as her husband, and the possessor of a single-figure handicap. Jolly is one of the twenty-four professionals selected to hold themselves in readiness for the Ryder Cup match against America at Scioto, Columbus, next June. It is understood that the couple are to spend a golfing honeymoon on the Continent.

EASTER RACE MEETING.

It is announced in our advertising column that owners, desiring classification of their ponies, for the Easter Extra Meeting must notify the secretary of the Jockey Club by noon on Tuesday next, stating the name of the ponies to be classified.

RUGBY FOOTBALL.

The Rugby football match between the Club "A" fifteen and a Naval side which was to have been played on the Club ground yesterday, was cancelled.

The people who run lawn tennis in this country are curious folk. No sporting event is more cleverly disguised or staged than the Wimbledon championships; but when it comes to Britain's participation in International team championships, such as the Davis Cup and the Wightman Cup, the public are told as little as possible about the preliminaries.—H. R. MacDonald.

GRAND NATIONAL SWEEPSTAKE.

Grand Total of £2,000,000 Expected.

QUEUES IN DUBLIN.

London, Yesterday. The subscription list of the Irish Grand National sweepstake closed at midnight. The total of the prize money is approximately £1,100,000. The grand total, including grants to the hospitals and expenses is expected to be nearly £2,000,000.

Long queues of purchasers waited outside the offices of the sweepstake in Dublin yesterday where a staff of 1,500 were dealing with a huge overseas post. Counterfoils are being kept in the strongroom and will be guarded by the Police when taken to the Mansion House for the draw on Monday.—Reuter.

Our Sports Diary.

LOCAL.

LAWN TENNIS.—To-day—H.K.C.C. Tournament. CHIEFS.—March 27—Entries close for Kowloon Chess Club's Junior Championship. April 7—Open Chess Championship commences. FOOTBALL.—Saturday—Senior Shield: Royal Artillery v. South Wales Borderers; Kowloon F.C. v. South China A.A.; Junior Shield—Navy v. Kowloon F.C.; Club v. Eastern F.C.

April 18—Sunday Herald Charity Cup Final—Scotland v. China.

HOCKEY.—To-morrow—Caer Clark Cup—Kowloon Ladies' Hockey Club v. Diocesan Girls' School.

Saturday—Caer Clark Cup—Club de Reuicio v. St. Andrew's Club.

LAWN BOWLS.—To-morrow—Kowloon Bowling Green Club—Annual Meeting, 5.45 p.m.

March 27—Lawn Bowls Association Annual Meeting.

ATHLETICS.—Saturday—Central British School Sports, King's Park, 2 p.m.; St. Stephen's College Sports, Stanley, 2 p.m.

FENCING.—Saturday—Tournament, Yacht Club, 5.30 p.m.

Monday—Fencing Club Meeting, Yacht Club, 5.15 p.m.

CRICKET.—Saturday—Division I.—Craigengower C.C. v. Indian R.C. (L.); Civil Service C.C. v. Royal Artillery (L.); Navy v. Hong Kong C.C. (F.); Division II.—Hong Kong C.C. v. R.A.S.C. (L.); Indian R.C. v. Craigengower C.C. (L.); University v. Kowloon C.C. (L.).

BOXING.—To-day, To-morrow, Saturday—China Fleet Amateur Championships (Finals), Theatre Royal.

RACING.—Sunday—Fanling Hunt Club's Steeplechase Meeting.

April 4 and 6—Second Extra Race Meeting, Happy Valley.

April 18—Third Extra Race Meeting, Happy Valley.

SAILING.—Monday—Entries close for Trevelyan Trophy.

Tuesday—Trevelyan Trophy, 4 p.m.

RUGBY.—FOOTBALL.—March 25—Army v. Navy, Sookunpoo, 5 p.m.

March 28—Club v. Navy, Club Ground, 3 p.m.

April 4—Club v. Army, Sookunpoo, 3 p.m.

HOME.

FOOTBALL.—Saturday—England v. Scotland (Amateurs), Chelsea.

March 28—Scotland v. England, Glasgow.

April 25—English Cup Final, Glasgow.

RUGBY FOOTBALL.—Saturday—Scotland v. England, Murrayfield, Edinburgh.

April 6—France v. England, Paris.

ROWING.—Saturday—Oxford v. Cambridge.

GOLF.—March 24 and 25—Oxford v. Cambridge, Sandwich.

BOXING.—March 25—A.B.A. Championships, Albert Hall.

RACING.—March 25—Lincolnshire Handicap.

March 26—Liverpool Spring Cup.

March 27—Grand National Steeplechase, Aintree.

HOCKEY.—March 28—Scotland v. England, Perth.

LAWN TENNIS.

TRIO OF RUMJAHN'S SUCCESSFUL.

The programme in the H.K.C.C. Lawn Tennis Championships yesterday provided the three Rumjahns with victory. "S. A." played two matches during the afternoon, defeating W. N. Petch in the singles, and in partnership with his cousin "H. D." proved victorious against W. C. Hung and Chiu Chun-chiu. The full results were as follows:

Open Singles.
C. A. L. Rumjahns beat Tani Wal-pu 6-3, 2-0, 6-1.
S. A. Rumjahns beat W. N. Petch 6-2, 6-1.

Open Doubles.
S. A. and H. D. Rumjahns beat W. C. Hung and Chiu Chun-chiu 6-2, 6-4.

Club Singles.
H. J. Armstrong and R. H. Wild (unbeaten) 2-0, 6-1.
Club Handicap Singles "A".
W. M. Barton (rep. 3/6) beat G. W. A. Tufon (owe 3/6) 2-6, 6-1, 6-1.

FIGHTERS PAST AND PRESENT

JEM MACE ATONES

NOCTURNAL SAIL DOWN THE THAMES.

COUP DE GRACE

When Jem Mace returned to London, after his ignominious defeat by Bob Brettie, he found himself a very lonely man. On two previous occasions, when shirking to keep his engagement with the tough Mike Madden, he experienced what it was like to have people look on the other way when they passed him on the street, or have contemptuous glances thrown at him when he tried to mix with men whom he once knew as friends.

Bad as it was then it was a mighty lot worse now. He was told bluntly to get out of the places where men met. Even in the byways of Shoreditch pavement urchins shouted after him and he went his way with bowed head and face flushed with shame.

Away from Shoreditch.

There was precedent for the man to drown his shame and misery in the false panacea of alcohol, but Mace was not fated to fall into the thickest of the mire so that he could not rise again. His mind worked the other way. He would conquer this strange mental kink that, hitherto, had made useless the splendour of his body.

And so for some months he disappeared from his Shoreditch haunts and many of her erstwhile friends, not so wise in the ways of men as they thought, opined that Jem Mace, in deserting Shoreditch, had deserted pugilism.

Bottom Rung Again.

But he had set out grimly to rehabilitate himself. He began again at the bottom rung of the ladder, taking on all who were prepared to battle with him for any sum they cared to table. He fought for fivers with the ability that deserved the richest prizes the ring had to offer.

And in course of time the East Enders of London began to talk about forgiveness. They recognised the spirit behind Jem's action, and like true sports they decided to give him another chance. The reports received in Shoreditch about Jem's fights were most favourable, and no one having as yet replaced him, he was approached and told that money in big enough amounts could be found to back him against any opponent he wished to meet.

The Arch Enemy.

Jem Mace had no hesitation in naming the man he wanted to fight. "Get me a match with Bob Brettie," he answered. "I'll beat him, or die in the attempt," writes J. S. Barron in the Glasgow Evening News.

Brettie, now a prosperous innkeeper in his native town, intimated that it would not be worth his while training for a fight unless the stakes were £200 a-side.

The Cockneys had not bargained on such a big side-stake, but nevertheless they put it up, and Jem went into the strictest training.

Though Mace had regained the affections, to a certain degree (for after all he was still on trust) of the East End of London division, the Corinthians had neither forgotten nor forgiven, and it was a purely local crowd that accompanied Jem to Wallingford Road, where the battle was to take place.

The two sides met, and after the usual polite preliminaries, Jem and Bob faced up, nothing that matter-

ed in weight and height between them, Mace wearing an expression of grim determination, Brettie a self-satisfied grin on his jovial countenance.

But that smug grin soon disappeared. Jem started off as he had done at the previous meeting, and he carried on in the second round. There was no lying down this time, no desperate attempt to run away from the ring. Instead, a whirling cyclone that heeded no obstruction but was intended only on destruction.

After three rounds, Bob was showing visible signs of distress, and his face bore ample evidence of Jem's ability as a portrait painter.

Dramatic Interruption.

Came the seventh round, and it took Brettie, game as a fighting cock, all his time to stagger to scratch. It seemed only a matter of minutes before he would be punched into insensibility, but Jem was cheated. Just when Brettie was being battered all over the ring a large posse of police, headed by Magistrates, arrived on the scene and put a stop to the proceedings.

The two principals with their backers and supporters entrained for London and arrangements were completed for carrying on the fight the following day.

Dodging the Law.

That night word of Mace's wonderful display had travelled round London town, and when the two camps met at Euston next morning they were joined by a sprinkling of Corinthians. A special train was requisitioned to take the party to Southend where it was met by two river tugs who anchored at a quiet spot on the Thames estuary, where there was no fear of unwelcome interruption.

Jem started where he had left off the previous day, and with a terrific right he had the Brum's head bobbing like an obsequious commoner meeting royalty for the first time. But Brettie shook off the sleeping-draught effects of the blow, and went for his opponent like a mad bull.

The Coup de Grace.

It was too-toe stuff, and fast met flesh with many a dull thud. The fight could not possibly last long.

The fifth round proved the last, and the final blows were delivered by Mace, a left and right to the middle of the head that sunk Brettie to his knees as if he had been struck with a battering ram.

Mace had come back with a vengeance. And such was the merit of his win that he was now in line for a fight with Sam Hurst for the championship itself.

Still Sceptic.

Shoreditch was a place for merry-making that night. Jem had regained the pedestal, and three years after he had shirked Mike Madden, from which time his name had been associated with that fearsome word cowardice, he had found his way back to the hearts of men.

But though his East-End following were satisfied that there was no weakness in Jem, the sports of the West-End still had their doubts. They continued to think that there was a white feather in the plumage of Mace, and that Sam Hurst, the reigning champion, would reveal it.

HINTS ON ATHLETIC TRAINING.

Early Specialisation and Its Danger.

REGULAR MEALS.

Dr. E. B. Turner, the old Rugby International, and past president of London Athletic Club, lecturing on athletics at the London Day Training College, Southampton Row, said that the general principles of athletic training apply to most forms of athletic sport—the heart and muscles must be fit, the joints in order and weight down. Young athletes were in danger of too much competition. Those who could not get much out of doors should skip, but every effort should be made to get as much fresh air as possible. Walking is one of the best exercises. Every ounce of energy comes from food and drink. Nature is a very kind old lady; she lays up a store to carry her on during the winter. Everyone eats more than is absolutely necessary to keep alive; the surplus food is stored up, and turns into fat; exercise burns up the superfluous fat, and you come

down to racing weight. Take your meals at such a time, insisted the lecturer, so as to allow the stomach to get rested, and keep regular hours.

If you attempted to specialise too early, said Dr. Turner, you would never gain what you would have done had you waited until you had been properly equipped. He had seen numbers of men who had not attained the height they should have because they went at athletics too hard, and also men who failed to carry out the promise they showed in early years owing to slackness in training. Dr. Turner advised everyone who wished to take up active athletics to pay a visit to his doctor and find out whether he was fit to train for athletic competition. He emphasised the danger of school athletics unless they were properly organised. The tissues of boys burn rapidly, and the danger of straining their immature hearts in long distance races was very great.

QUEEN'S COLLEGE SPORTS.

The 16th annual sports of Queen's College will be held on the College ground, Causeway Bay, on Saturday, March 28.

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FRIDAY, MARCH 20.
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Canada, U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai (Vancouver, B.C., Feb. 28)Empress of Japan
SATURDAY, MARCH 21.
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai (San Francisco, Feb. 20) and Europe via Siberia (London, Mar. 2)President Garfield
SUNDAY, MARCH 22.
Europe via Negapatnam (Papers only, London, Feb. 19)Talmu
MONDAY, MARCH 23.
AmoyTilawa
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai (San Francisco, Feb. 27)President Jackson

OUTWARD MAILS

THURSDAY, MARCH 19
Amoy 3.30 p.m.
Shanghai and Wuchow 4 p.m.
Saigon 4.30 p.m.
Shanghai, Japan and Europe via Siberia 3.30 p.m.
Manila, Australia & New Zealand via Thursday Island
FRIDAY, MARCH 20.
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow 2 p.m.
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. & S. Africa, Aden, Egypt & Europe via Marseilles
Suwa Maru (Due Marseilles, Apr. 19.)
K.P.O. G.P.O.
Registration Mar. 20, 4.30 p.m. Registration Mar. 21, 8.45 a.m.
Letters Mar. 21, 9 a.m. Letters Mar. 21, 9.30 a.m.
SATURDAY, MARCH 21.
Hohow, Pakhoi and Haiphong 8.30 a.m.
Manila 3.30 p.m.
Empress of Japan
SUNDAY, MARCH 22.
Bangkok via Swatow 9 a.m.
Swatow, Amoy & Formosa 9 a.m.
Manila 9 a.m.
Shinyo Maru 9 a.m.

*Superscribed correspondence only.

HOLLAND AS SECOND COLONIAL POWER.

Population of Dutch Indies 60,000,000.
FRANCE OUSTED.

Amsterdam, Yesterday.
Holland has ousted France as the second Colonial power in the world, according to the census of 1930, just published. The population of Dutch Indies is 60,000,000 whilst that of the French Colonies does not exceed 59,000,000.—Reuter.

LOSS OF CUTLERY.

"SWEEP UP AMONG THE RUBBISH?"
DISCARDED BY SOLDIERS.

A further remand of one week has been granted in the case of Chan Fuk and Lau Mau, who are charged, respectively, with the larceny and receiving of a quantity of cutlery, the property of the N.A.A.F.I. at Shamshuljo Camp on March 17. After hearing the evidence in the Kowloon Police Court yesterday, Mr. Hamilton remanded the case till today in order to hear the evidence of the European in charge of the sanitary arrangements.

Private E. J. Crang, who acts in this capacity said that it was quite possible for the cutlery to get swept up among the rubbish and removed to the dustbin, but he was not prepared to express his opinion as to whether the first accused would be entitled to remove such things away without permission. He added that the accused had just returned from the Military camp at Fanning and it was quite probable that the cutlery had been obtained there, having been discarded by soldiers who wished to get replacements.

His Worship said that he would have to call further evidence from the military authorities, as there seemed to be some doubt as to whether the alleged larceny was due to negligence.

DISHONEST BAR BOY.

An aftermath of St. Patrick's Ball was brought to light this morning when Lau Hing, a bar "boy" from the Peak Hotel, was charged in the Kowloon Police Court with the larceny of a bottle of whiskey, two bottles of beer, two bottles of port, two table napkins, 69 cigarettes, and a quantity of food, to the total value of \$33, from the Peninsula Hotel.

The "boy" was lent to the Peninsula Hotel on the night of the ball, and was arrested in Pedder Street on his way back to the Peak at 2 a.m. yesterday.

Mr. E. W. Hamilton passed sentence of three months' imprisonment.

STOP PRESS

London, Yesterday.
The Lancashire Cotton Corporation, formed last year, has issued its first balance sheet, showing a net loss of \$162,368, of which \$286,300 is accounted by writing down stocks from cost to market price. The remainder related to the actual mill trading, principally due to the small percentage of machinery worked.—Reuter.

DEATH DUTIES.

DROP IN MILLIONAIRE ESTATES.
MR. NAPIER'S BEQUESTS.

London, Yesterday.
The falling in recently of several millionaire estates has relieved pessimism as regards the falling off in death duties.

The latest, which is most unexpected is £1,245,000 left by Mr. Montague Stanley Napier, former chairman of Napier and Son Limited, the motor-car and aeroplane engine makers. Death duties on the estate amount to £750,000.

Large sums are bequeathed on the death of the widow to his children and brother; while £10,000 and his properties at Dieppe and household effects at Cannes go to Norah Mary Fryer, to whom the residue is bequeathed upon trust for life; and £3,000 each is left to two lady secretaries.

The remainder of the estate is to be devoted to cancer research, whether in the United Kingdom or abroad. It is estimated that this sum will eventually amount to £700,000.

Mr. Napier designed the engines for the Gloucester-Napier seaplane used in the Schneider Trophy races.—Reuter.

VIKING TRAGEDY.

THIRTY-FOUR MISSING FROM SEALER.

BOY STOWAWAY.

St. John's, Yesterday.
An official tally proves that thirty-four are missing from the Viking, including the film director, Mr. Frissell, Cameraman Penrod and a 12-year-old stowaway.—Reuter.

PEKING AIR MAIL.

SERVICE TO BE OPENED ON APRIL 1.

DAILY FLIGHTS.

Nanking, Yesterday.
The Nanking-Peking air mail and passenger service is to be inaugurated on April 1.

Daily flights will be made with Stinson planes, from both terminals, with ten minute stops at Haichow, Tainan and Tientsin.

The planes will take off from Nanking at 8.30 a.m. and from Peking at 8 p.m., the trip to take seven hours.

The fare has been tentatively fixed at \$150 for a single and \$225 for a round trip. The fare between Tientsin and Peking will be \$16 for a single and \$27 for a round trip.—Reuter.

AIR MAIL.

Deputation Received By Lord Amulree.

London, March 10.
Discussing the question of an air mail to Australia with a deputation of business men, the Air Minister, Lord Amulree, said the question had been discussed at the Imperial Conference and proposals were now being considered by the Governments of India, the Straits Settlements and the Commonwealth. Inauguration of the scheme depended upon the financial support available.

The deputation urged the development of night air mails and the speeding up of air mails by the separation of passenger and mail traffic and the operation of the service on a 24-hour schedule.—Reuter Wireless.

GOLD STANDARD.

SWITZERLAND TO MINT NEW COINS.

Berne, Yesterday.
Switzerland is reverting to a gold standard.

New gold and silver coins will be minted.
The National Council has unanimously passed the new fiduciary law.—Reuter.

EXCHANGES.

TO-DAY'S QUOTATIONS.

On London—
Bank, wire 1/- 3/4
Bank, on demand 1/- 3/4
Bank, 4 months' sight 1/- 5/16
Credits, 4 months' sight 1/- 15/16
Documentary, 4 months' sight 1/1 1/16
On Paris—
On demand 630
Credits, 4 months' sight 670
On New York—
On demand 24 3/4
Credits, 60 days' sight 25 1/2
On Bombay—
Wire 68 1/2
On demand 68 1/2
On Calcutta—
Wire 68 1/2
On demand 68 1/2
On Singapore—
On demand 44 1/2
On Manila—
On demand 49 1/2
On Shanghai—
On demand Tls. 76 1/2
Dollar 45 dis.
On Yokohama—
On demand 50 1/2
Sovereigns (Bank's buying rate) 1/- 3/4
Silver (per oz.) 14 3/16
Bar Silver in Hong Kong Nominal
Copper Cash Nominal
Copper Cents 3 1/2 prem.
Rate of Native Interest 3 1/2 p.p.a.
Chinese Sub. Coin 22 3/4 dis.
Hong Kong Sub. Coin par.

AMERICA INVADES ROUMANIA.

To Run Electric Power of the Nation.

LOAN OF \$10,000,000.

Bucharest, Yesterday.
The American enterprise which already controls the telephones in Roumania is about to take over the electric services corporation in Bucharest and eventually run the electric power of the whole nation.

The American Electric Bond and Share Corporation has signed a contract with the Government involving \$200,000,000, including an immediate loan of \$10,000,000 to the city of Bucharest.

There has been a recent American commercial invasion of Roumania which appears effectively to have cut out competition.

The new contract is regarded as more important than the matter of a French loan.—Reuter.

MURDER ATTEMPT.

JAPANESE WHO SHOT AT SOVIET OFFICIAL.

SENT TO PRISON.

Tokyo, Yesterday.
Sato, the assailant of the Soviet official Anikeieff, was formally indicted to-day on a charge of attempted murder, and sent to prison.—Reuter.

[On March 16, Sato shot and dangerously wounded M. Paul Anikeieff, the Soviet Commercial Counsellor, in the morning when he was leaving his residence. It seems that the assailant had been indignant for some time past at the Soviet attitude on the question of Japanese fishery rights.]

EIGHT SHOTS.

Intelligence Officer in Trans-Jordan Wounded.

London, March 11.
Dispatches from Transjordan report that eight shots were fired at the British Director of Transjordan Intelligence while he was motorcycling between Essalt and Amman. He was slightly injured.—Reuter Wireless.

HONG KONG STOCK EXCHANGE

Opening Daily Official Quotations 19th March, 1931.

STOCK	Buy- ers	Sell- ers	Sales	Norm.	Fin. Year	Last dividend and when paid
Banks.						
Hong Kong Bank .....	...	2025	...	...	Dec.	(Final 25 bonus \$1 a/c 1930 et. 1/11--\$23.14....) Mar. 9, 31
Chartered Bank .....	...	...	161	...	Dec.	(Fin. 75 bonus 6/5 free 1/11/31 making 2/3 for 1930.....) Pending
Mercantile Bk., A.B. .....	...	...	241	...	Dec.	(Int. 1931 a/c 1930 less 1/11/30.....) Sep. — 30
Bank of Asia	116 1/2	...	121	...	Dec.	\$1 for 1930..... Feb. 28, 31
Insurance.						
Canton Ins.	\$ 1350	...	...	...	Dec.	(Final \$27 for 1929 Interim \$18 a/c 1929 Interim 24/ a/c 1929) --\$48.... May 10, 31
Union Ins.	6/5 625	625	630	...	Dec.	Interim 24/ a/c 1929) --\$2.... May 30, 30
*China Underwriters.....	3.05	...	...	...	Dec.	None.....
China Fire Ins.	\$ 535	...	...	...	Dec.	(Final 50 bonus \$6 Interim 30 a/c 1929 Interim 30 a/c 1929) --\$18.... May 30, 30
H. K. Fire Ins.	\$ 1335	...	...	...	Dec.	Interim 30 a/c 1929 Interim 30 a/c 1929) Pending
Shipping.						
Douglas .....	...	25	...	...	Dec.	Last dividend for 1924 for 1925.....
H. K. Steamboats .....	...	25	...	...	Dec.	\$1.50 for 1929 None for 1930..... Mar. 4, 30
Indo-China (Pref.) .....	...	...	40	...	Dec.	(Int. et. 2/4 on preferential making 1/3 for year 20-4-30) June 19, 29
Indo-China (Def.) .....	...	...	30	...	Dec.	Last dividend for 1927.....
Shell Transport .....	...	...	67 1/2	...	Dec.	Interim 22 Coupon No. 57 free 1/11/31 a/c 1930..... Jan. 6, 31
Union Waterways .....	...	...	37	...	Dec.	\$1.50 for 1930..... Pending
Mining.						
Benguet	\$ 10	...	...	...	Dec.	(Final 60 cent bonus making 1/11 for 1930.....) Dec. 30, 30
Kailan Mining Ad. 1/.....	...	35 1/2	...	...	Oct.	\$1.50 a/c free 1/11/31 Coupon 38 making 1/3 for year 20-4-30) 1900, 30, 30
Langkat .....	...	8 1/2	...	...	June	T. 0.40 for year 31-10-29..... May 8, 30
S'hai Exploration.....	2.10	...	...	...	Dec.	None.....
*Loans .....	...	...	51	...	Dec.	(Final T. 0.43 making T. 0.61 a/c year 31-1-31) for 1930..... Feb. 6, 31
*Rouba	\$ 38	x.d.iv.	...	...	Mar.	\$1 for year 31-1-31..... Mar. 16, 31
Venezuela Gold Fields	3.60	...	...	...	...	...
Docks, Wharves, Godowns, &c.						
H. K. & S. Wharves.....	...	172	170 1/2	70 1/2	Dec.	\$5 for 1930..... Mar. 19, 31
H. K. & W. Docks .....	...	...	30	...	Dec.	Last dividend for 1924.....
South Ch. Motors .....	...	...	10	...	...	...
*China Provident (old) .....	...	5.20	...	...	Dec.	(19 cents on old 101 cents on new) for 1930..... Pending
Hoongwee .....	...	274	...	2.40	Dec.	Interim T. 5 a/c 1930..... Sep. 12, 30
N. Engineering .....	...	51	...	...	Dec.	T. 0.25 for 1930..... Mar. 4, 31
Shanghai Docks .....	...	110	...	...	Apr.	T. 7 for year 30-4-30..... July 30, 30
Lands, Hotels & Buildings.						
*H. K. & S. Hotels.....	13	...	...	...	Dec.	30 cents for 1930..... Pending
H.K. Lands	34 1/2	85	...	...	Dec.	(Final \$2 making \$1 for 1930 and \$111 new 1930.....) Feb. 10, 31
Shanghai Lands .....	...	...	412	...	Dec.	(Final T. 18 making T. 11) for 1930..... Mar. 19, 31
Humphreys (Cum Rn.)	16.50	...	3	...	Dec.	80 cents for 1930..... Feb. 24, 31
*Rights .....	...	...	...	...	...	...
H. K. Realities .....	...	0.80	...	...	Dec.	Interim 30 cents a/c 1930..... Sep. 4, 30
Chinese Estates .....	...	...	67	...	Feb.	\$5 for year 28-3-30..... July 21, 30
Cotton Mills.						
*Ewon Cotton	14 1/2	...	...	...	Dec.	T. 0.75 for 1930..... Mar. 12, 31
Shanghai Cotton.....	99	...	...	...	Apr. and Oct.	T. 0.25 for half year 31-10-30..... Nov. 20, 30
Zong Sing .....	...	12 1/2	...	...	June	T. 0.90 for year 30-6-30..... Oct. 11, 30
Public Utilities.						
*H. K. Tramways.....	17.05	17.70	...	...	Dec.	(Final 45 cents making 91 cents) for 1930..... Feb. 27, 31
Peak Tram (old) .....	...	14 1/2	...	...	Apr.	\$111 cl. on old 111 cl. on old) 30-4-30..... June 16, 30
*Star Ferry	88	...	...	...	Dec.	\$4 for 1930..... Feb. 18, 31
*China Light	24 1/2	24 1/2	...	...	Sept.	Final 61 cents a/c pr. 30-4-30..... Dec. 15, 30
H. K. Electric	78 1/2	x.d.iv.	...	...	Dec.	\$2.50 for 1930..... Mar. 18, 31
Macao .....	...	23	...	...	Dec.	...
Sandakan Lights .....	...	19	...	...	June	...
H.K. Tel. fully paid	4 1/2	...	...	...	Dec.	(Final 4% making 10% a/c 1930.....) Mar. 11, 31
*China Buz .....	...	18	...	...	Dec.	T. 0.30 for 1929..... Feb. 25, 30
S'port Traction (Ord.) .....	...	6 1/2	...	...	Sept.	(1/4 on preference shares Subject to income tax.....) Feb. 6, 31
S'port Traction (Pref.) .....	...	12 1/2	...	...	...	...
Industrials.						
China Sugars .....	...	90 1/2	...	...	...	In liquidation.....
Malabon Sugars .....	...	30	...	...	Dec.	P. 5 for 1928..... Apr. 11, 30
Cald. Mag. Ord. ....	...	11 1/2	...	...	...	...
*Canton Ins. ....	...	8.80	...	...	July	None..... Apr. 30, 30
*Cements (com.)	16.30	x.d.iv.	...	...	...	...
*Cements (old)	11.60	...	...	...	Dec.	(20 cents on old 104 cents on new) for 1930..... Mar. 18, 31
H. K. Ropes	18.00	...	...	...	Dec.	75 cents for 1930..... Pending
Stores, &c.						
Dairy Farm (old) .....	...	x.d.iv.	24 1/2	...	Dec.	\$1.50 for 1930..... Mar. 18, 31
Watsons .....	...	...	12.60	...	Oct.	75 cents for year 31-10-30..... Mar. 18, 31
Der A Wings .....	...	...	1	...	...	...
Lane Crawford	4 1/2	...	...	...	Feb.	Last dividend for year 28-5-30.....
Macintosh .....	...	20	...	...	Feb.	\$2 for year 30-5-30..... May 15, 30
Sincere .....	...	10 1/2	...	...	Feb.	25 cents for year 29-5-29..... June 10, 29
Wm. Powells .....	...	2.85	...	...	...	...
Miscellaneous.						
H.K. Amusement (old) .....	...	31	...	...	Mar.	\$2.50 for year 31-5-31..... Sept. 27, 30
*Ch. Entertainment	18	...	...	...	...	...
H. K. Constructions .....	...	...	3.40	...	Dec.	None.....
B. Inf. G. Bonds	68%	...	...	...	...	...
H. K. Govt. Loans .....	...	Prem. 0%	...	...	...	Interest half yearly.....
*Speculative shares. *Sales to Shanghai						

MOTORISTS—THIS IS YOUR PAGE

THE MONTE CARLO RALLY

D. M. Healey's Invicta Wins General Classification.

BRITISH SUCCESSES.

Monte Carlo, Jan. 21. This morning Monte Carlo donned its most brilliant gala attire. A warm sun shone from an azure-blue sky on to an indigo-blue sea; on the imposing mass of rock splashed with every tint from grey to vermilion; flags of every nation, flowers of every hue; deep green orange groves bedecked with balls of yellow—all these contributed to the scene of enchantment. Nature and art had prepared for the Rally competitors, writes W. F. Bradley, Continental Correspondent to The Autocar.

As early as eight o'clock on this summer-like January morning mud-covered cars carrying unshaved, often unwashed and sleep-weary travellers, could be found in the streets of the old town of Monaco. Not until ten o'clock could they pass through the control leading to the harbour front, thus officially recording the completion of their journey, which, in many cases, had begun on the previous Friday morning at such distant points as Athens, or Amsterdam, Tallinn or Lisbon, John o' Groats or Jassy. For five days these men and women had battled with mud and rain, snow and ice, fog and cold. Some had refused to go to bed, fearing that they would never be aroused again if they slipped between a pair of sheets; some had relied on an occasional bath and good meals to invigorate them; and some appeared to have been strangers to both water and food.

Quite apart from any freaks the weather might play, it was going to be strenuous. For the first time competitors gave really serious thought to Athens, 2,344 miles from Monte Carlo, and the most distant point from which a start could be made, while several of the British contingent decided to abandon

John o' Groats for Stavanger, in Norway, thus increasing their mileage from 1,837 to 2,260, with a consequent increase of points possible for distance covered.

By starting from Athens a competitor could gain one and one-tenth more points than if he selected Stavanger. But the trail from Athens, through Salonica, Sofia, Budapest, and Vienna, had never been covered under Rally conditions, whereas the route from Stavanger was practicable, with much effort, unless, of course, a blizzard happened to sweep across the country the night before the start, or if there was a quick change from rain to hard frost; but these were the hazards of the game which might be met by any competitor.

Despite the risk, fourteen of them announced their intention of blazing a trail through the wilds of the Balkans. Only seven of them, however, succeeded in reaching Athens in time for the official start. Among those who realised the impossibility of the task on the outward journey was Robert Senechal, driving an eight-cylinder Delage.

Andre Boillot, the racing driver, on a 1,000 c.c. Peugeot; Jacques Bignan, the Rally winner in 1928, on a six-cylinder Fiat; Engineer Moccia, also on a Fiat; Henri Stoffel, a French racing driver, on a Chrysler; Hector Petit, last year's winner, on a Renault; R. T. Richard, on a Morris; and J. M. de Gomez, on a La Salle, were the seven who had their road books signed in the Greek capital, and set forth with the hope of reaching Monte Carlo. Three others—Count Urdariano, on a Fiat; P. Castella, on a Mathis; and C. W. Andrea with a Brennabor, unable to reach Athens—were allowed to start from Salonica or Belgrade.

As we basked in the sunshine at Monte Carlo, we followed the competitors' progress by means of telegrams received from the control stations en route. Salonica reported the arrival of the seven and the departure of two more—a Fiat and a Mathis. Three hundred and fifty-odd miles of the route had been covered. The two hundred miles of "road" to Sofia reduced the nine to five—Boillot's Peugeot, Moccia's Fiat, Bignan's Fiat, Stoffel with the Chrysler, and Urdariano's Fiat. The Brennabor and the Morris, the La Salle and the Renault were firmly embedded in the mud and mire. Two hundred and sixty miles more to Belgrade, and the group had been reduced to three—Boillot, Bignan, and Moccia. At Budapest they were but two—Boillot and Bignan. They passed through Vienna on time, drove across Austria, entered Germany and were checked in at Munich.

A Real "Dog-Fight." Sipping coffee under a sunshade on the Condamine, we tilted back our chairs and remarked, "Now that they have finished their mud-plugging and have only the good, hard highways of Germany and France in front of them, we are going to see a real dog-fight between this pair from the Near East and the international group from Norway, and the fight will be won by fractions of a point." Then Munich reported that Andre Boillot, who as a preliminary training had driven from Algiers across the Sahara to the Gold Coast and back again in record time, was too exhausted to continue. Then an equivocal message was received from Strasbourg regarding Bignan, and instead of his time being written in ink, it was scribbled on the score-board in pencil, with a questionmark behind it.

With the collapse of the Athens group attention was directed towards the Stavanger contingent, with all the more interest, since, of the twenty-one starters from the Norwegian town, twelve of the crews were British, and most of them had British cars. From other points there was no serious com-

petition for the actual victory. Only five had started from Jassy, in Roumania. Seven started from Lwow, in Poland, only to meet with insurmountable difficulties. Of the nine who had hoped to make Tallinn their jumping-off point, only one could reach this town on the Baltic, while Riga and Koenigsberg, to which they reverted, were too near to give them a chance of winning.

The John o' Groats group numbered twenty-one, the only absentee from the official entry list being J. F. Sutherland on a Riley and C. A. Lundy's Rolls-Royce. The distance of 1,837 miles to Monte Carlo was not sufficient in the circumstances for them to aspire to first prize, this group really holding a competition among themselves.

With increasing interest we followed the progress of the thirty from Stavanger. A few had failed to reach that town, among them the Bugatti race driver, Louis Chiron, who was held back in Paris by influenza, then raced northward, "doping" himself with quinine and cognac, only to reach Oslo and be allowed to start from there "sous toutes reserves." Two or three others were either too late or too exhausted to get to Stavanger, and, although they eventually set out from Oslo, they were disqualified.

E. de Thuisy's Rally was unable to get any farther than Christian-sburg; Mrs. M. Vaughan's Riley dropped out at Helsingborg, in company with a Citroen; J. W. Austin's Ford was left behind at Oslo and M. Blin d'Orimont's Bugatti had to be abandoned in the same town. Dr. Jamot's Renault and M. Zeek's Austro Daimler could not get beyond Copenhagen, thus reducing the original contingent to nearly half by the time the main continent was reached. The conditions in Norway and Sweden were not at all insurmountable, but they called for real pluck and determination on the part of all the crews.

When the Monte Carlo control was thrown open at 10 o'clock on the Wednesday more than thirty competitors were ready to pass before the time-keeper. Among them was a car and crew so travel-weary and mud-coated as to be hardly recognisable. It was Jacques Bignan's Fiat, the only one of the seven starters from Athens to reach Monte Carlo, and, indeed, the only car to travel across this stretch of country under Rally conditions.

No Official Credit. Officially, the Fiat was entitled to no credit for its marvellous performance. Bignan, a burly, phlegmatic French, who used to be a car manufacturer and is now a Fiat agent in Paris, brought with him a letter from Strasbourg declaring that he had been met at the gates of that town by a commissaire, who had given him the address of last year's control station and caused him to check in five minutes after closing time. The car itself told the story of the almost unimaginable difficulties encountered. There was an inch gap between the bonnet and scuttle, the doors were agape, the safety glass had been cracked through the twisting of the frame, the radiator and the spare petrol tank were leaking, the front wheels were out of alignment, the layer of mud made it impossible even to hint at the original colour of the car, while even the engine looked as if it had been buried underground.

Despite all this, Bignan and his companions set about preparing the car for the final acceleration and brake tests. The Fiat engine had a blower on the opposite side to the carburettor intended to be driven by chain from the crankshaft. The chain was fitted, the carburettor removed and connection made from the supercharger to the intake manifold. Thus transformed the car was allowed to run for the acceleration and brake tests and was then eliminated; the committee ruling that no allowance could be made for the five minutes lost at Strasbourg.

Apparently unmoved by the decision Bignan stated that he was convinced the Athens journey would not be repeated for a long time. First, the crew had found mud and water, then clay so heavy that when they became embedded an ox team broke three stout chains before succeeding in dragging them out. Germany and Austria presented an unbroken sheet of ice on which seven sets of chains were used up. Although they had had no sleep for five days and nights it was impossible to maintain the required average.

Louis Chiron was another unexpected arrival who claimed the right to be qualified, but was ruled out by the committee on the grounds that he was not authorised to start from Oslo. His super-charged sports Bugatti was fitted with a huge exhaust heater under the driver's legs, and also had a copper pipe connected to the exhaust and running across the base of the windscreen. This pipe had fine holes drilled in it, so as to direct heat on to the glass, and was stated to be very effective in allowing the wipers to do their work under the worst conditions of frost and snow.

The last-minute arrival was Major Douglas Morris on the Triumph "Little Boy Blue." Looking very tired and dirty, Morris stated that first of all he had made the mistake of thinking he could drive all the way from John o' Groats, but the real cause of his arrival thirty seconds before the doors closed was repeated dynamo trouble. Thirty seconds after the time-keepers had put their watches in their pockets, Dona M. la Caza de Noronha, from Lisbon, dashed up with an open two-seater B.N.C. having a bent frame, a bent front axle, and one front brake disconnected. The time-keepers were inflexible, and instead of expostulating, the lady just went to sleep at the wheel.

Late From Stavanger.

N. Garrad's Crossley, from Stavanger, came in with a few seconds to spare, having been held back by a split radiator, an inability to purchase fuel because of the absence of French money, and a string of minor troubles. Whalley's Ford also came in rather late in the day, but with sufficient time to qualify. By means of an ingenious system of side curtains and canvas roof the dickey seat had been transformed into a completely closed compartment. This car ran with big dual disc wheels at the rear, an arrangement which was said to be effective over the snow and ice in Norway and Sweden.

The twenty-one cars from John o' Groats, which were joined byboard with the letter D marked the

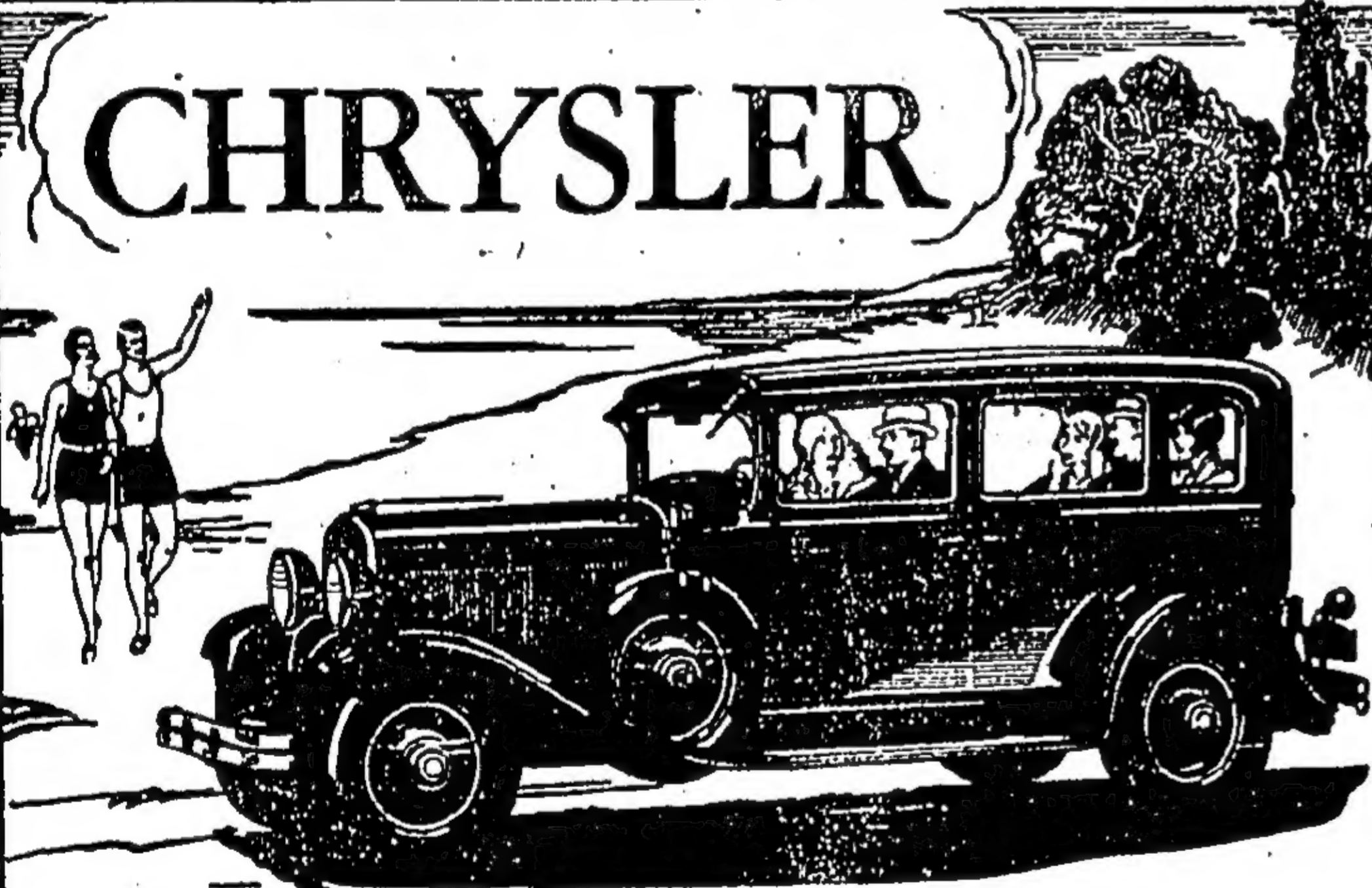
three more at Glasgow and a further three in London, reported more severe conditions than last year. For two hundred miles out of John o' Groats snow fell, and there was a thin layer of snow on the road, followed by occasional drifts on the Gramplians. There was heavy rain in London, twenty miles of fog on the outskirts of London, but quite favourable conditions in France. Captain Mellor's Chrysler dropped out in London, and T. M. Best Dalson's Bentley, which had started from Glasgow, was missing at Nantes. While coming through Lewisham C. S. Grant's Talbot hit a refuge and broke a spring, which fact was not discovered until the boat was reached. By a smart piece of work the spring was changed and a second boat was caught with very little delay.

F. Mortimer Montgomery was unable to present his road book on reaching Monte Carlo, and his M.G. was threatened with disqualification, for no excuse is admitted for the loss of this document. Fortunately, it was discovered at the last minute, and the car was qualified. In the excitement of the start from Stavanger J. W. Whalley's road book was given to D. M. Healey, and vice versa. Both drivers were in a state of nervousness as to what would happen, and attempted to explain at every control on the road. Their efforts were of no avail; Healey was Whalley and Whalley was Healey, and so they had to remain until they regained their identities at Monte Carlo.

An examination of starting motor, lighting set, seats, state of mudguards, and so on was followed almost immediately by the acceleration and speed test along the sea front. From a standing start the cars had to run 250 metres; they were timed electro-mechanically over the last ten metres, and again over the ten metres following the finishing line. Two huge white boards carrying the letter C indicated the beginning of the last 10 metres. A bright red trellis-work arch indicated the finishing line, and another white

point at which the end of the brake test was timed. While the arrangement worked out very satisfactorily, it cannot be considered any better than the regularity test held in the past. It naturally favours the light, open sports models. While the braking as a whole was good, and must have been a surprise to the spectators, it was very variable, as is shown by the number of cars which failed to secure any points. Experience and practice are required to know just how much brain lag and pedal lag to allow

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for in applying the brakes, and comparatively few of the drivers appeared to have had this practice.

Spotting the Winners.

At the start of the acceleration and brake tests practically all the cars from Stavanger were equal, and the winner was looked for among Invicta, Lagonda, Bugatti and Lorraine. The best aggregate performance, however, was that of D. M. Healey's open sports Invicta, which secured a total in the whole Rally of 255-250 points.

Among the John J. Groat group there was the same competition as among the Stavanger cars, for N. Black's four-seater M.G. Six speed model defeated C. A. Cochran's luxurious Talbot saloon by as narrow a margin as seven-hundredths of a point.

In the 1,100 c.c. class the competition lay between V. E. Leverett's Riley saloon and M. de Lavallete's Peugeot saloon. Mme. Jeanne's Rosengart (the French edition of the Austin Seven) was handicapped, naturally, by reason of its small piston displacement. Leverett's acceleration was particularly good, with the result that he scored over the Peugeot by the comparatively big margin of 1.03 points.

It is interesting that while Healey's Invicta put up the best all-round performance, it was bettered on the speed over the last ten metres and in the brake test by T. C. Mann's Lagonda. The Invicta covered the 250 metres in .15 seconds; its time for last 10 metres, at speed, was 0.48 sec., and the time for the next 10 metres on the brakes was 0.69 sec., giving a total in all of 8.87 points. The Lagonda was not quite so good on the acceleration, for it occupied 15.4 sec. for the speed run. It was running at a higher speed at the end, however, for it occupied only 0.38 sec. for the last ten metres; and its braking showed up better, for it took 0.76 sec. to cover the last ten metres, during which the brakes were applied.

Wimille's Lorraine lost on acceleration; its speed at the end was equal to that of the Invicta, and its brakes were the best of the first three cars in this test, for it occupied 0.83 sec. in covering the braking stretch, the final result

being one-hundredth of a point less than was gained by the Invicta. Another good performance was that of Black's M.G., which was good on acceleration, lost a little on brakes, and secured a total of 8 points. Cochran's Talbot saloon was better on brakes, but by reason of slower acceleration lost on the total count by seven-hundredths of a point.

Seven Out Of Twelve! Lord de Clifford's Lagonda was rather disappointing in acceleration; it was very good on the brakes, being equal to the Talbot and only slightly below the Lorraine, but its final position was only eighth, with 6.73 points. Of the first twelve cars in the acceleration and brake tests, the winner and six others are British. The best American cars, Graham Chrysler, Buick and Oakland, all came after the British machines in the matter of acceleration. It is only fair to point out, however, that the Graham brakes were particularly good. While from a practical viewpoint these tests may be open to much criticism, they are of real scientific value and were rendered possible only by the use of the electro-mechanical timing device.

Thus a triple victory for British cars and drivers is the magnificent net result of the Rally, the world's greatest competition of its type for passenger cars running under severe long-distance winter conditions.

In the class for cars of more than 1,100 c.c. carrying four passengers or their equivalent weight, Healey's Invicta carried all before it by winning the International Sporting Club Cup, Le Journal Challenge Cup, the Norwegian Automobile Club Cup.

The Riley saloon driven by V. E. Leverett and G. F. Denison won in the 1,100 c.c. class, by coming from Stavanger at an average of rather more than 35 k.p.h. Finally, in the comfort competition, the Grand Prix d'Honneur—the highest award—was secured by S. C. H. Davis' Armstrong Siddeley, while a British car won first prize in each of the six classes.

Out of 149 entries, some 120 competitors started for Monte Carlo and 62 reached that town. The big proportion of retirements

was due to the fact that, in order to increase their chances, many people went farther afield than usual, and were unable to reach their starting points.

An outstanding feature was the wonderful performance of the small cars of less than 1,100 c.c., most of which covered the same distances as the big machines. Of the eighteen small cars to reach Monte Carlo eight were of British construction.

On the Saturday twenty-nine of the competitors took part in a timed climb up the famous Monte des Mules, an affair which is open only to the Rally cars, but does not form part of the event in regard to the general classification. The course, as is well known, is particularly sinuous, and therefore exciting, the timed section being over a distance of three kilometres. There was a big crowd of spectators, and the organisation was excellent.

Healey, on the triumphant Invicta, put up the best time of the day, covering the measured distance in 3 mins. 20/15 secs., equivalent to 53 k.p.h., though he did not beat the record for the hill, which stands to the credit of a three-litre Bugatti driven by Velichkovitch during last year's Rally climb.

In the various classes a B.M.W. won the 750 c.c. section, Bar's Riley put up the best time in the 1,100's, with a time of 3 min. 35 sec., Mortimer Montgomery's M.G. being second in the class. Grubb's Chenard-Walcker won the 1,500 c.c. class, Mann's Lagonda the two-litres, and Mme. Schell's Bugatti the three-litre section, Black's M.G. being second, and Davis' Armstrong Siddeley third in that class. The Invicta of course, had the best time of the five-litres, with Wimille's Lorraine second. In the biggest class of all Sprenger van Eijk's Graham clocked 3 min. 55 sec.

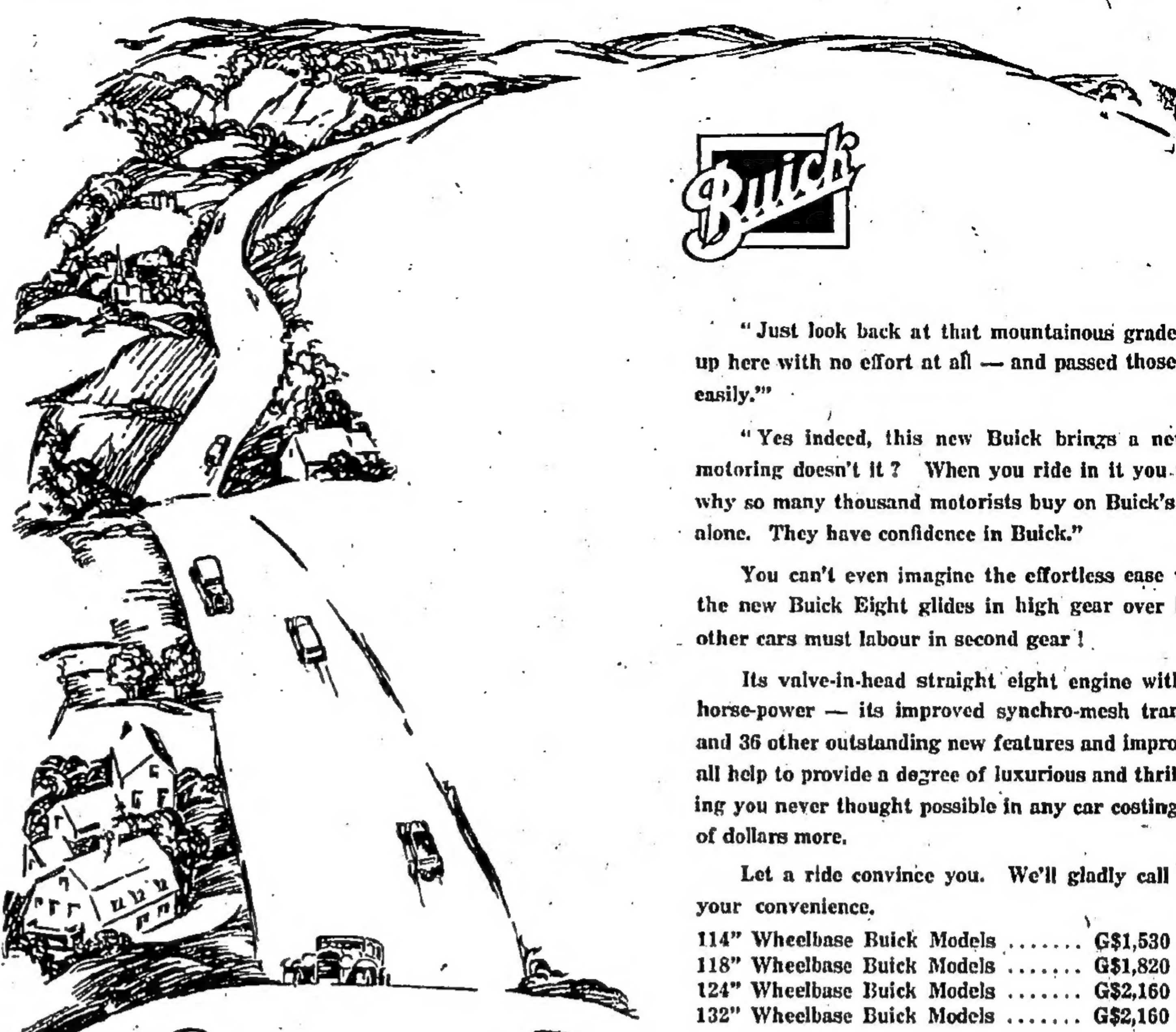
Awards.
International Sporting Club Cup.—D. M. Healey (Invicta).
Riviera Cup.—V. E. Leverett (Riley).
Le Journal Challenge.—D. M. Healey (Invicta).
L'Illustration Automobile Cup.—1, D. M. Healey (Invicta); 2, J. P. Wimille (Lorraine); 3, L. Schell (Bugatti).
Prince Ghika Challenge.—M. Cris-ta (Dodge Bros.).
Coupe des Dames.—Lady E. Jardine (Lancia).
Mediterranean Cup.—Madame D. Jeanne (Rosengart).
Barclay's Bank Cup.—N. Black (M.G.).
Condamine Cup.—T. C. Mann (Lagonda).
Norwegian Automobile Club Cup.—D. M. Healey (Invicta).
Ford Cup.—A. Johansen (Ford).
Comfort Competition.—Grand Prix d'Honneur.—S. C. H. Davis (Armstrong Siddeley).
Originality Prize.—F. H. B. Samuelson (M. G. Midget).

Cars Over 1,100 c.c.
Open Cars.—1, Lord de Clifford (Lagonda); 2, T. C. Mann (Lagonda).
Closed Cars.—1, S. C. H. Davis (Armstrong Siddeley); 2, A. H. Pass (Sunbeam); 3, S. Harris (Rolls-Royce); 4, H. B. Browning (Sunbeam); 5, J. J. Sprenger van Eijk (Graham).

HOME LEGISLATION.
More Rules for Motorists!

Remarking that, under the powers conferred on him by the Road Traffic Act, the Minister of Transport has lost no time in producing new Rules and Orders, The Light Car and Cyclecar goes on to say:—Perhaps mass-produced legislation of this kind is capable of serving a useful purpose, but we find it very hard to believe that motorists will be able to assimilate the enormous number of new rules and regulations which are being thrust upon them, and we question equally whether it will be within the capacity of the police force to absorb them sufficiently to be able to administer them.

In matters of detail there will be many items of the new Regulations to which motorists will take exception. Why has the Minister of Transport thought it necessary to make it compulsory for a man to stop his engine if he leaves the car even momentarily, for example to slip a letter into a pillar-box? Drivers feel unenthusiastic, too, about being compelled to use safety glass in the windscreen, to carry a driving mirror and to have mudguards fitted. What harm does it do if a man who has crumpled a front wing retains his car in use whilst the wing is in the hands of the panel beater for a day or two?



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MOTOR INDUSTRY.

Upward Trend of Sales Forecast.

Last year was one of the worst the motor-car industry has ever experienced, writes the Ford Motor Co., there being a general decrease in sales. The total production in the United States for 1930 was 38 per cent. below the record year of 1929 and two per cent. less than 1927.

According to the American Statistical Association the trend of automobile sales will be upward in 1931, and production will be somewhat greater than in 1930. The year 1932 will show the largest production of automobiles in the history of the industry, with the possible exception of 1929, and the automobile business will, in the future, make a greater contribution to industrial activities than it has ever done in the past.

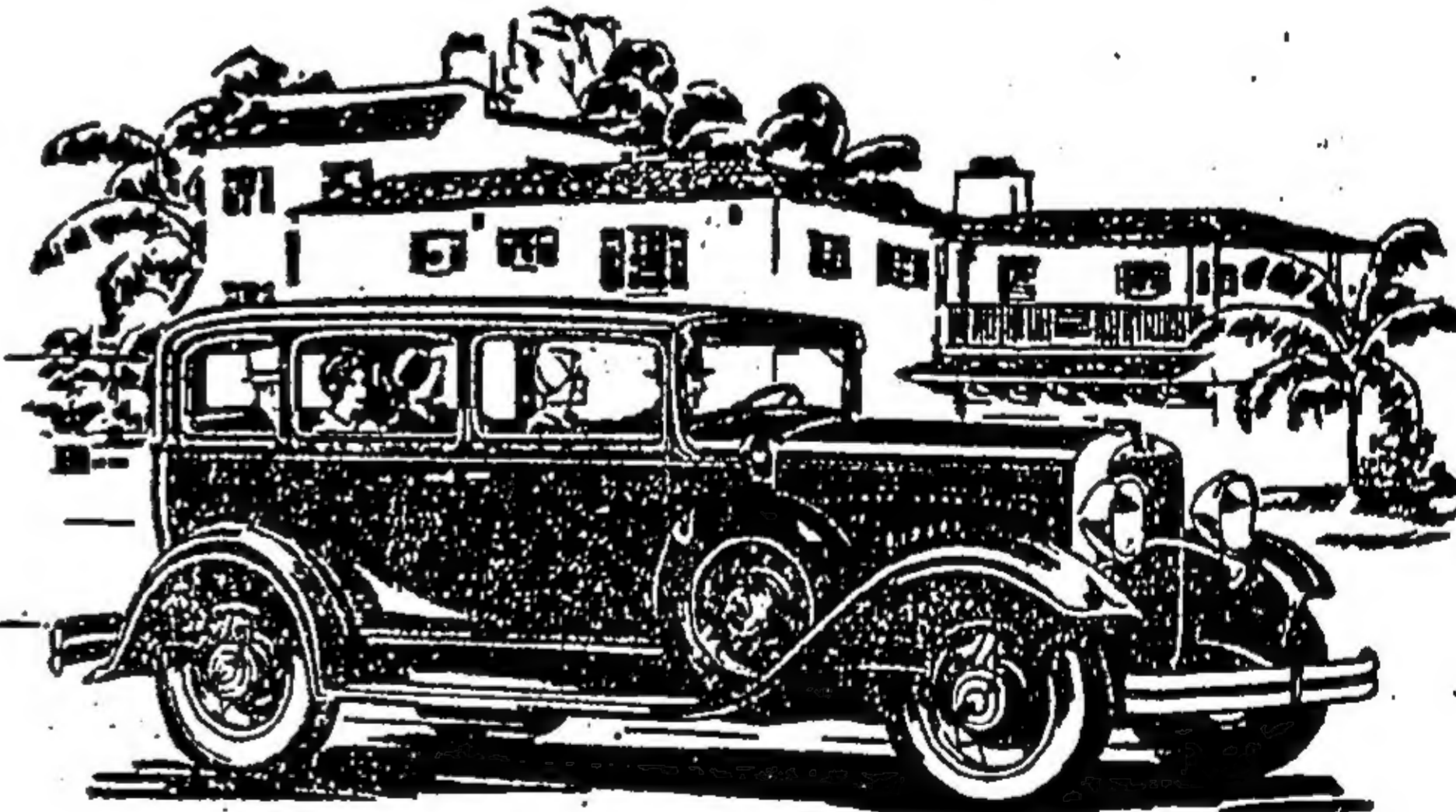
By 1940, the Association asserts, the number of cars in use will have reached approximately 32,350,000, and their maintenance will be a business of itself, with a volume exceeding more than \$1,250,000,000 per year. Statistics show a three-years cycle of low production, these years being 1918, 1921, 1924, 1927 and 1930. It is forecast that normal production will be reached about September, 1931. During 1930, dealers' inventories were reduced by more than 25 per cent. placing the trade generally in an advantageous position to start off the present year. If the forecast that by 1940 there will be 32,350,000 cars in use is correct, it means that in the next ten years there will be manufactured and sold 50,000,000 vehicles.

\$100 MOTOR CARS.

It is very interesting, but rather dangerous to one's reputation as an accurate prophet, to endeavour to forecast what we shall see at the Motor Show next October. One thing is certain, in my opinion, and that is that Sir William Morris, who scored the first century in the price field, will not be allowed to rest on his well-earned laurels. I fully expect to see his \$100 two-seater challenged by other makers before the year is out, and with the possible addition of attractions of a lower tax wing retains his car in use whilst the wing is in the hands of the panel beater for a day or two?

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SUIT FOR COMMISSION.

New York, Yesterday.
Indignation has been caused here by a report from Santiago de Chile that the General Manager in Chile of General Motors Acceptance Corporation, Mr. L. K. Bethune, has been sent to prison in connection with a suit against the Corporation by local motor car agents claiming \$45,000 commission for cars alleged to have been sold, and the fact that the United States Ambassador was twice refused permission to visit him.—Reuter's American Service.

"LABOUR ARMY."

AUSTRALIAN PLAN TO DEFEND IDEALS.

COMBATING OPPOSITION.

Sydney, Yesterday.
The creation of a great "Labour army" to defend Labour's ideals has been decided by the Metropolitan Labour Conference, which decided to organise District Councils throughout the country in order to combat the anti-Labour forces.—Reuter.

ARM TORN OFF.

TERRIBLE FATE OF BALKAN ARMY OFFICER.

DIED OF INJURIES.

Belgrade, Yesterday.
Major Rekelov, one of whose arms was torn off in the bomb explosion yesterday, died this morning.—Reuter.

ARMY RENEGADE.

APPEAL TO KING ALFONSO FOR CLEMENCY.

SENTENCE COMMUTED.

Madrid, Yesterday.
In reply to Pressmen, the Minister of Justice stated that in response to a telephone message to London, asking clemency for Captain Sediles, King Alfonso had given an assurance that he would sign a decree commuting the death sentence as soon as he returned to Spain.

Bishop's Protest.

Madrid, later.
The death sentence on Captain Sediles has been the signal for demonstrations in many parts of Spain, especially among students. The disturbances in the centre of

BRAZEN THIEF.

WEARS STOLEN OVERCOAT
IN COURT.

THEFT FROM A FRIEND.

An unusual incident was related to Mr. Schofield in the Central Police Court this morning by Inspector J. R. MacWalter, when a Chinese was charged with the larceny of an overcoat, the property of a Chinese motor driver, at 531, Queen's Road West. Accused pleaded guilty.

It was stated that accused stole the overcoat whilst its owner was asleep on Tuesday night, and was seen wearing it in the Court yesterday morning. He was pointed out to the Police and, after being enticed out of Court, was arrested. "He was an ex-motor driver," said Inspector MacWalter, "but he had his licence cancelled because of a bad record; and now he has taken to stealing from his friends." Sentence of two months' hard labour was passed.

ASSAULT ON POLICE?

ALLEGATION AGAINST A.P.C. WATCHMAN.

To-day Mit Singh, a watchman employed by the Asiatic Petroleum Company, was brought before Mr. Schofield in the Central Police Court on a charge of having assaulted Lance-Sergeant M. Flaherty in Leighton Hill Road yesterday. Mr. M. A. da Silva appeared for the accused and entered a plea of not guilty, adding that there was a witness for the defence.

His Worship fixed the hearing for Monday at 2.15 p.m., accused being allowed bail in the sum of \$100.

MERCANTILE BANK.

The local branch of the Mercantile Bank of India, Limited, has received a telegram from the Head Office in London advising that at the annual general meeting of the shareholders a final dividend of 8 per cent on the "A" "B" and "C" shares will be declared (making 16 per cent for the year less income-tax); £20,000 to be placed to reserve (raising it to £1,500,000); £10,000 written off landed and house property; £165,000 carried forward to 1931 account.

Madrid were so serious that the Police several times charged the crowd.

All shops closed at Jaca, where a procession, headed by the Bishop and Mayor, and Municipal Councilors, marched through the streets carrying placards demanding a pardon for Sediles. Students demonstrated in Santiago, where all shops were closed.—Reuter.

LATVIAN MINERS ON STRIKE.

Protest Against Housing
Conditions.

STRINGENT MEASURES.

Riga, Yesterday.
In spite of regulations forbidding workers to leave their posts at present, 10,000 miners have "deserted" the mines in the Donetz Basin during the last eight weeks, chiefly owing to the deplorable housing and feeding conditions. More stringent measures against desertion are consequently being enforced, while an improvement of the housing and feeding has also been ordered.—Reuter.

SUGAR EXPORTS.

DUTCH EAST INDIES AGREE TO RESTRICTION.

APPROVAL OF BILL.

Batavia, Yesterday.
The People's Council have approved by 13 votes to five, the Government Bill for the temporary restriction of sugar exports.—Reuter.

FLIGHT TO JAPAN.

FRENCH AIRMEN LEAVE SHANGHAI.

Shanghai, Yesterday.
The French aviators, Burtin and Moench, hopped off at 5.30 a.m. for Japan.

Earlier News.

The French aviators, Burtin and Moench arrived at the Hungjao aerodrome at 3 p.m. and will probably remain here two or three days before taking off for Japan.—Reuter.

ACCIDENTS AT BUILDINGS.

Yiu Ho (39) a female earth cooler, suffered injuries to her head and shoulder yesterday, as the result of accidentally falling from a plank, which had been erected between the first floor and the scaffolding of a house under construction in Fleming Road, Wanchai. She was removed to the Government Civil Hospital for treatment.

Falling from a height of 14 feet off a wall at 109 Robinson Road, whilst engaged in carrying building materials, Ko Po (48), an earth cooler, was killed instantaneously. The body was conveyed to the Public Mortuary.

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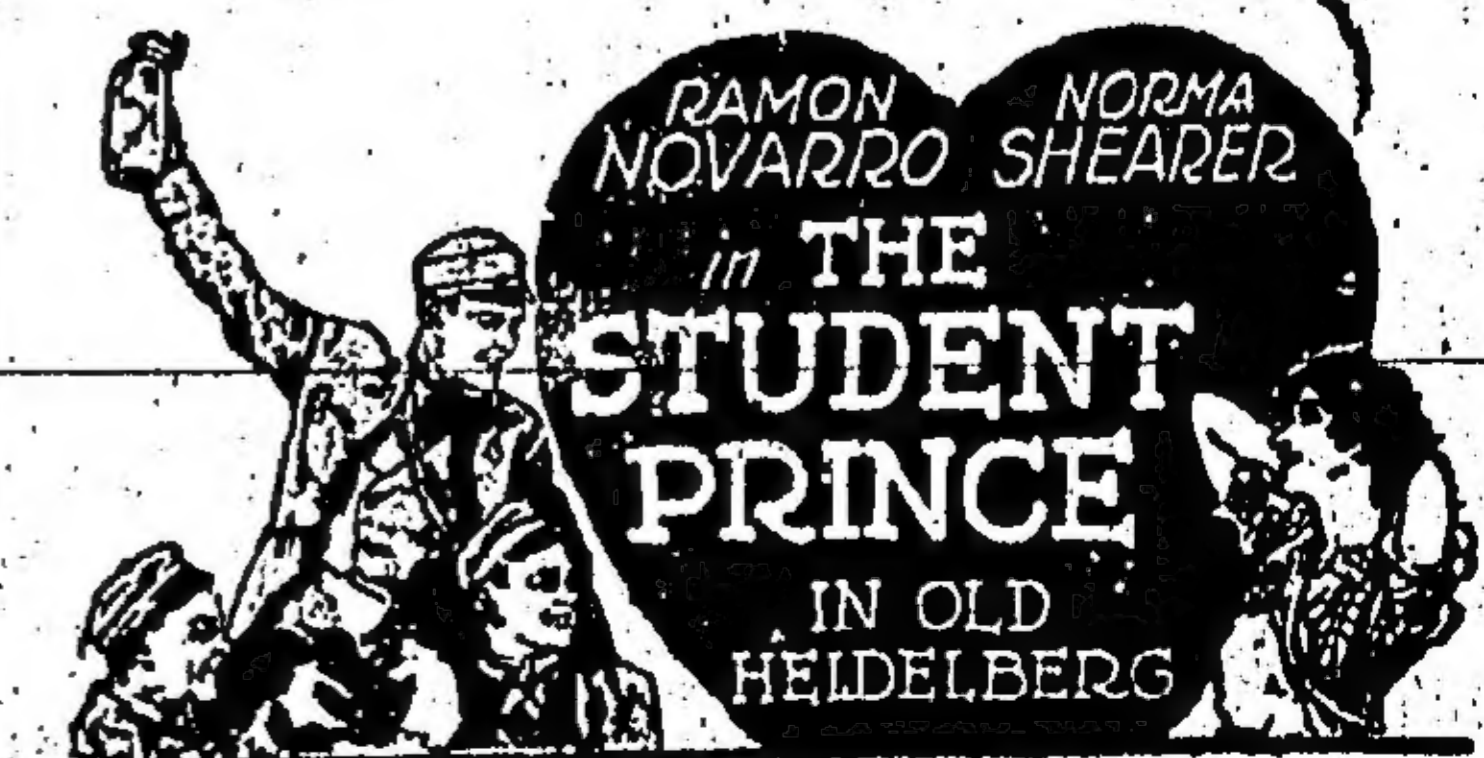
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